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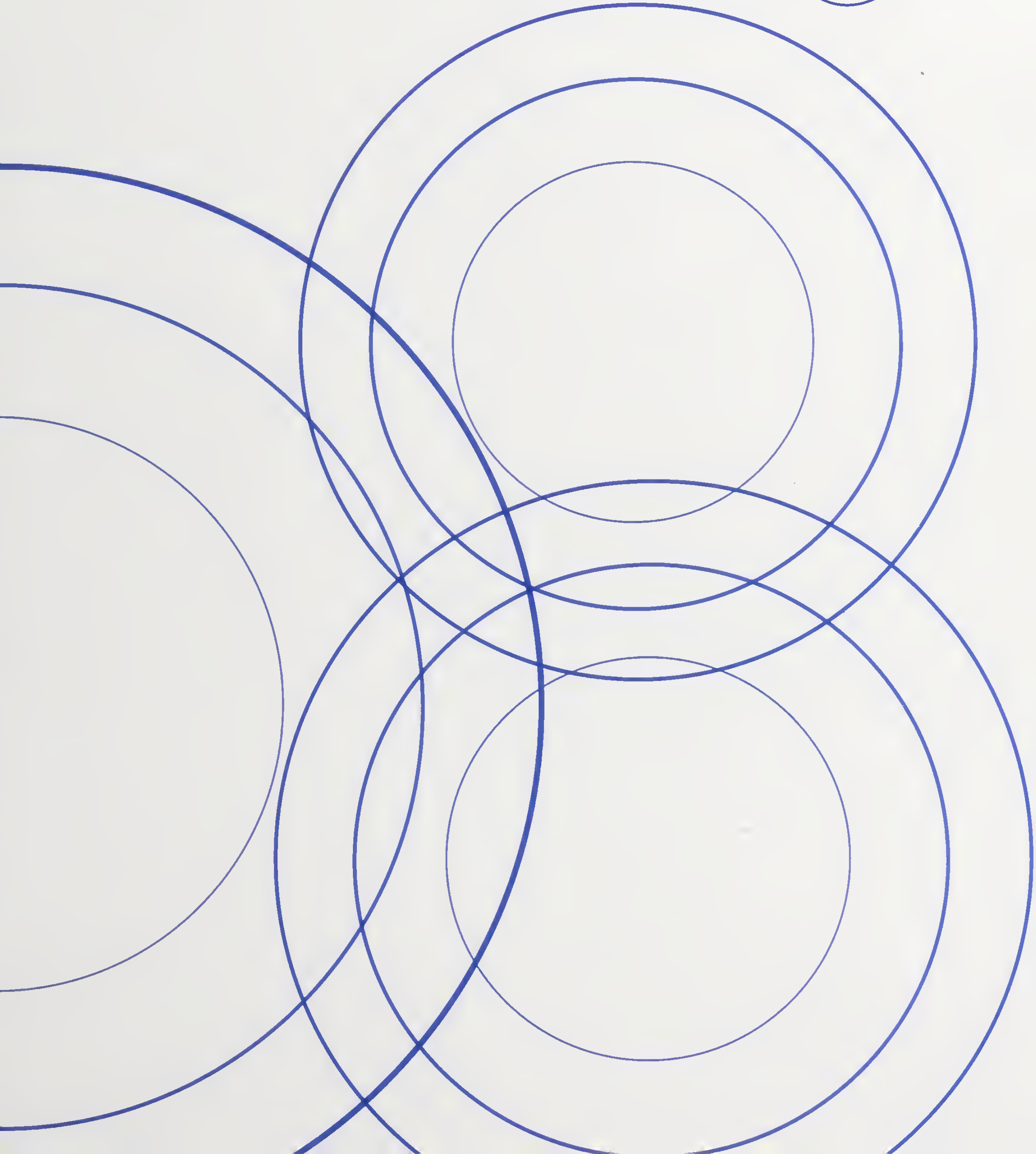

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Our Dedication: Laura Flynn

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This year's yearbook is dedicated to someone who has made a great impact at Merrimack College in a short amount of time. Throughout her career at Merrimack, she has advised numerous clubs and has dedicated countless hours to the benefit of the Merrimack community. The Class of 2008 dedicates the 2007-2008 yearbook to Laura Flynn.

The yearbook's dedicatee is especially meaningful to the Class of 2008. During our sophomore year, the Class Council was without an advisor, and thus, direction. Although she was new to her job, Laura agreed to advise our class. Since then, she has been the backbone of all our activities, from the 2006 Spring Week Wiffleball Tournament to the 2008 Senior Formal. She has volunteered her time to join our class at events, and has given an endless amount of time to the creation of them. Without her, most of what we have done as a class would not have been as successful.

Laura Flynn has also made an impact on the school as a whole. She additionally advises the Dance Team and MPB, among other clubs, and organizes Freshman Orientation. Her presence on the Merrimack campus is unprecedented. Laura has also affected many students on a personal level, as she befriends and creates bonds with just about everyone she meets.

On behalf of the Merrimack College community, the Class of 2008 would like to thank Laura for all of her hard work and support. Because of you Laura, our college experience has been incredible. Your title as Assistant Director of Student Activities makes you what you are, but it is your dedication to the students that makes you who you are, someone who has made a difference. Thank you!

Aimee Tsakirellis + the Class Council of 2008

Dean of Students

Shawn DeVeau

A message to our graduates

Dear Graduating Class of 2008:

Congratulations on your graduation from Merrimack College!!! You should be proud of this personal accomplishment and the great efforts you put forward to reach this milestone. You should expect that this accomplishment, however, will not be your last one. Given the knowledge and experiences you have gained here, I expect great things from each of you in all that you do.

Education is a constant for all of us. As you pursue your next adventure, whether in a new professional career or in a graduate school program, you are at the beginning of a new phase in your life. As you enter this new phase, I hope that you will reflect back on your experiences at Merrimack and be able to carry forward the knowledge you gained. I know that from those experiences you will be better equipped to both meet these new challenges while also gain knowledge from them. The never ending process in which you now find yourself is one that will constantly reward you.

As you reflect on your time here, look back fondly upon the past four years. I know that your impact on this campus will be felt for years to come. I also hope that you realize Merrimack is a community of which you will always be a member. You will always be welcome and we hope that you will remain active to show the current students all of the wonderful successes that you have achieved.

Best wishes to you on your future,
God Bless and we hope
that you will visit us soon.

Sincerely,

Shawn J. De Veau
Dean of Students

We Remember

Laura Piasecki

"A day without laughter is a day wasted"

In my dreams
I'll always see you soar
Above the sky
In my heart
There will always be a place
For you for all my life
I'll keep a part
Of you with me
And everywhere I am
There you'll be.

Our Seniors

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Merrimack Seniors 2008

Matthew Adams

Ana Albrecht

Kevin Allen

Kristin Anderson

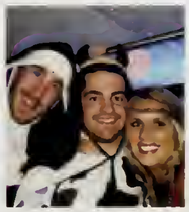
Brien Andrysick

Emily Angel

Adma Aoude

Shannon Army

My favorite Merrimack memory was the football team winning the first ever playoff game.
- Ron Colaianni



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Donnie Aylward

Helene Bacherman

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Melanie Barbarula

Noelia Bare

Malorie Bartlett

Laura Beatty

Kyle Beaudoin

Nicole Belanger

Christopher Bierbaum

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RED SOX

My favorite thing about Merrimack that I'll miss is being able to hang out in the Economics tutoring room and talk with all the professors about random things and current events. I always felt at home there, and never have I learned so much about the world at large. -Sarah Bourouphael

Michael Binari

Dianne Black

Ryan Blaney

Aaron Bolduc

Kara Borelli

Sarah Bourouphael

Amanda Bovill

Brian Bradley

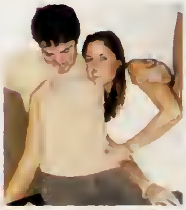
Sarah Buckley

Meaghan Bunaskavich

Jennifer Burgess

Caitlin Burke

What I will miss most about Merrimack is having so many people your age living with you. There's always someone to talk to!
-Katie Dwyer



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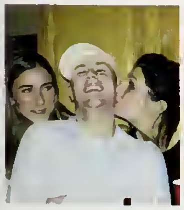


Favorite Memory: First few weeks of Freshman year when everyone always had their doors open, and the last few weeks of Senior year. Every single Senior event. Walking to class and knowing at least 2/3 of the people that you walk by! -Becka Poteat

Caitlin Cavanaugh

Michael Chandler

Danielle Chianca

Paul Chicarello

Erin Clark

Thomas Clarke

Ronald Colaianni III

Justina Colella

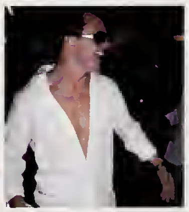
James Comosa

Ryan Conner

Brian Contona

Kacie Corbelle

Thing I will miss most about Merrimack: Seeing ten people that say hi to you when walking to class and late night video game sessions. -Kim Snow



Blair Corcoran

Jenna Cordero

Jocelyn Costa

Christopher Cotter

Katelyn Crowley

Garry Cuneo

Lauren D'Ambrosio

Alison Dadona

Christine De Lima

Laura Degrandpre

Leah Degregorio

Jessica Delacey

The most important thing I learned through my 4 years at Merrimack is that you reap what you sow. No matter what the situation is, you have to put in hard work, and through this hard work is where the real learning begins. In life nothing is handed to you which means a lot of the time the learning is done on the fly, but it is through this that you become a more complete person and realize the true amount of effort that is needed to become successful in the workplace, as well as your personal life." -Chris Cotter

Jennifer Demetros

Carmela Denardo

Peter DePaola, Jr.

Joseph Derose

Richard DeSisto

Katie Despres

Maria Devine

Ann Difranco

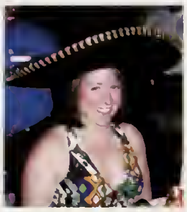
Amanda DiNitto

Brian Dinizio

Christopher Dobi

Shannon Donahue

The most important things I learned were money and time management along with data I received from my Business classes. - Amanda Simeone



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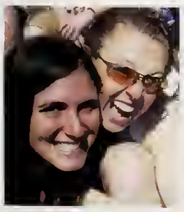
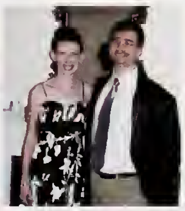
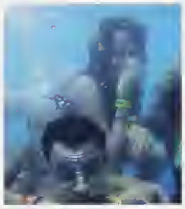






The most important thing I learned at Merrimack: My 1970's brown leather coat has more style than the combined power of all the Ugg boots and NorthFace jackets on campus.
-Brian Dinizio

Stephanie Fish

Thomas Fitzgerald

Marianne Foley

Richard Fontes

Ralph Francescone

Amanda Francis

Marco Franzese

Brian Frazier, Jr.

Kaori Fukuoka

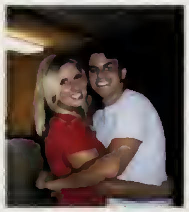
Martin Gabadian

Sara Gabriel

Melanie Gambale

Favorite Merrimack memories: the picnic tables behind Ash, the bridge just for being there, Dracut townhouse, E25, all the joy rides we took ;)

-Rachael Walbridge



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Randy Gautreaux

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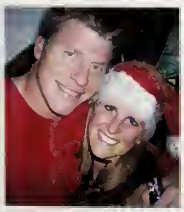

My favorite Merrimack memories were MORE, Pellegrinaggio, and all of the other activities where I made friends and bonded with them to become more than just friends. -Peter DePaola

Christine Griffin

Tokelo Gugushe

Luke Guttadauro

Stephen Gwinn

Michael Hemingway

Jonathan Herook

Kristin Hodder

Sarah Holcomb

Sheena Holland

Jesse Hoole

Catherine Hughes

Jaclyn Hughes

My favorite Merrimack memory is that I will always remember all of the different people I met while attending Merrimack College. They have given me so much during these last four years. They were a source of friendship, guidance and inspiration for me. For that, I will always remember them. All of the people, including teachers and students, were so friendly, warm and open to me. They were some of the best people I have ever met and I will miss all of them. Good luck in the future!!!!! -D.J. Porzio

Garen Jarkian

Mark Juknavorian

Tiffany Jurczak

Nicole Jussaume

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John Kelley

Ryan Kent

Lilia Kezim

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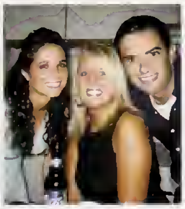

Favorite memory = Friday Night Games Under the Lights
- Andy Kokoska

Jessica Kraby

Ashley Kysor

Philip Lacolla

Jessica Lamb

Carolyn Landry

Robert Landsberg

Faye Larochelle

Amy Larrabee

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Rebecca Lavigne

Ashley Lawton

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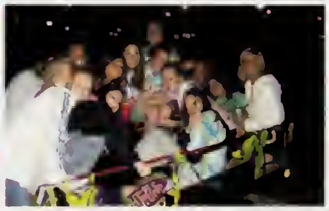

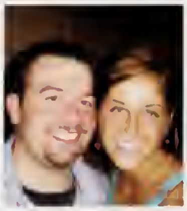

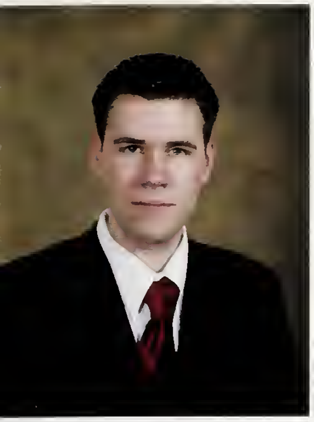
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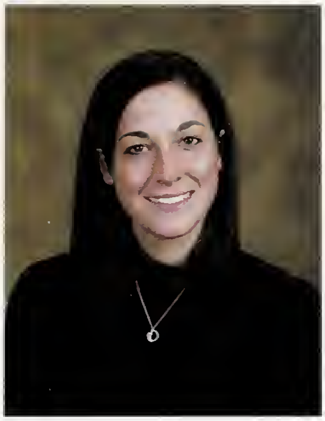
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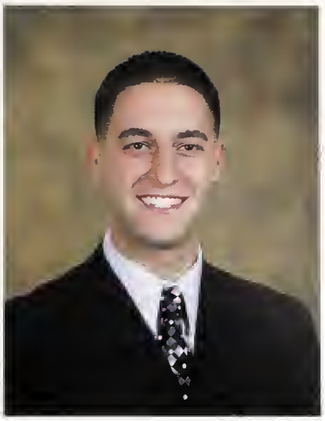
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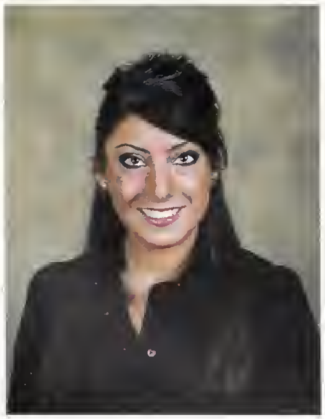
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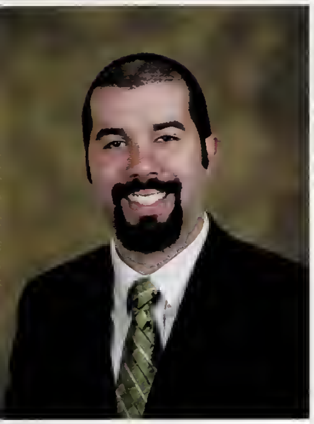
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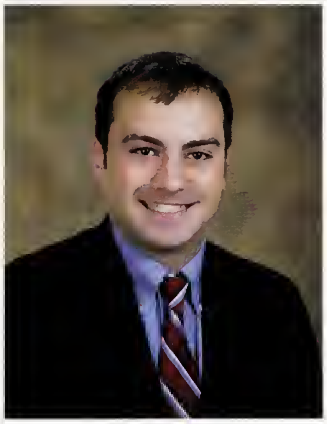
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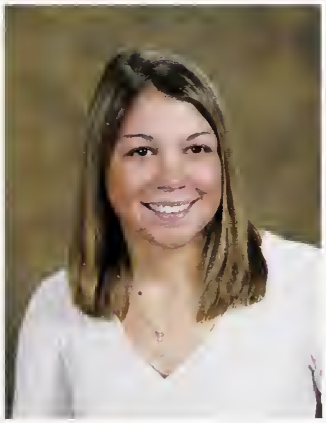
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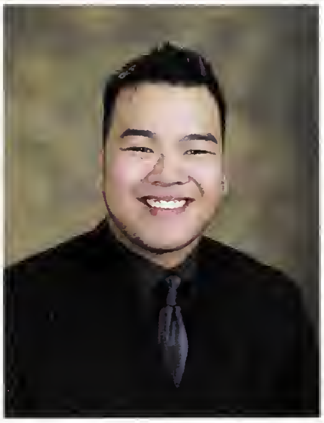
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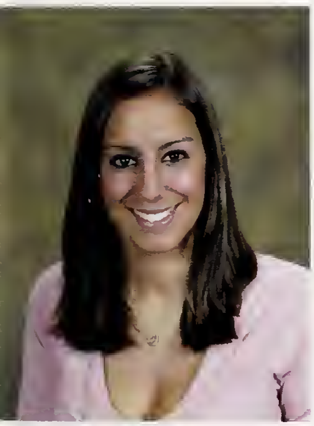
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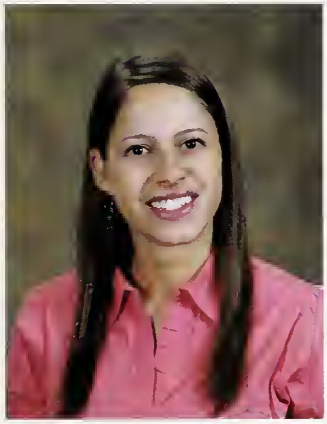
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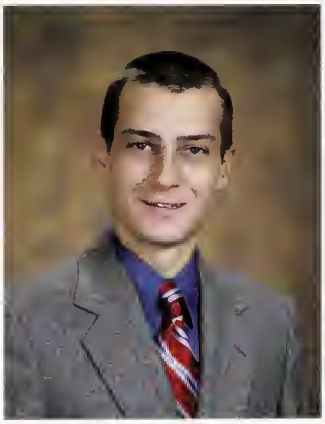
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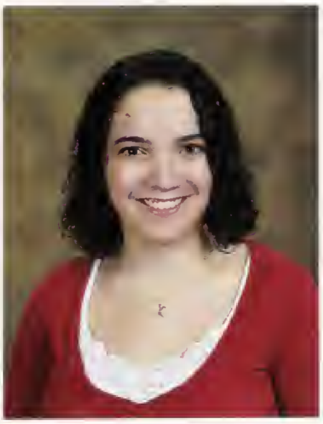
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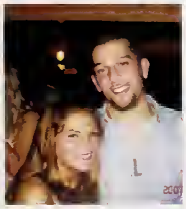
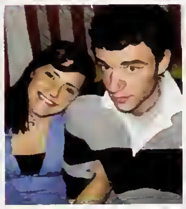

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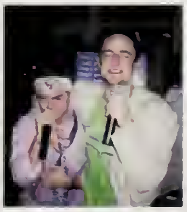

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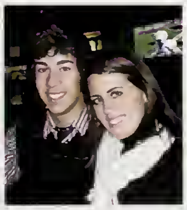

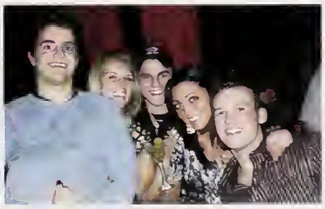

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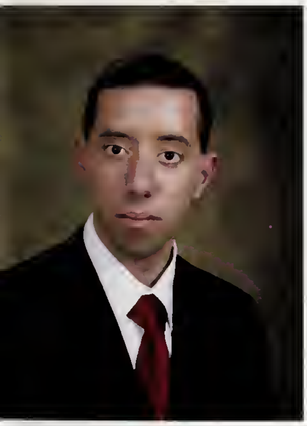
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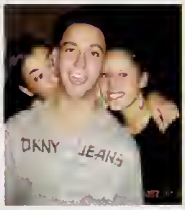

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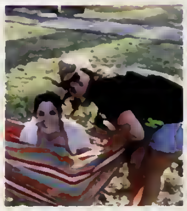
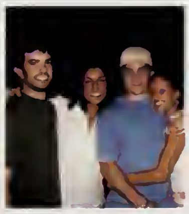

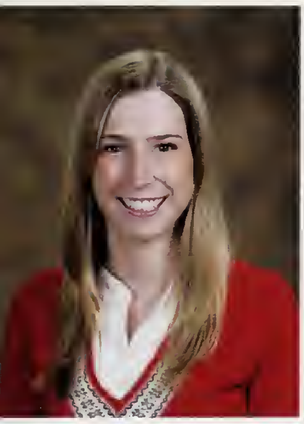

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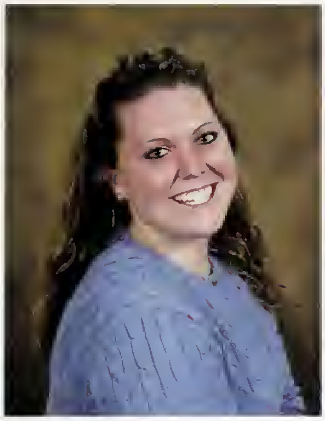

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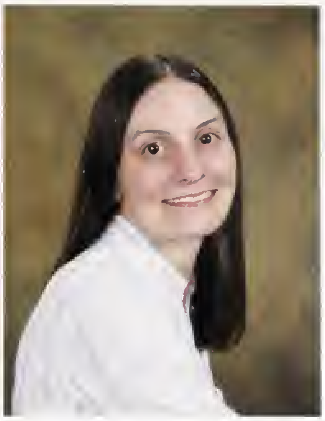

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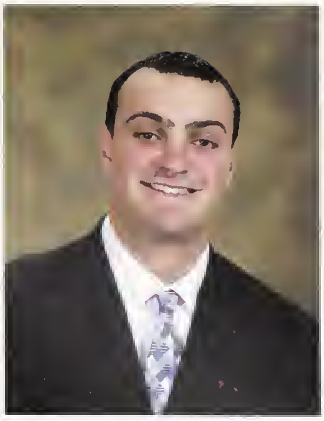

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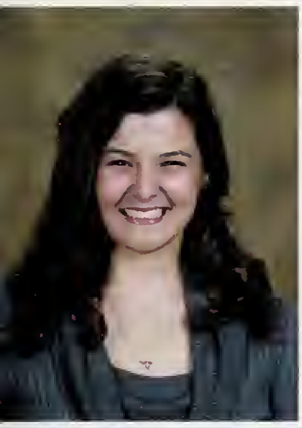

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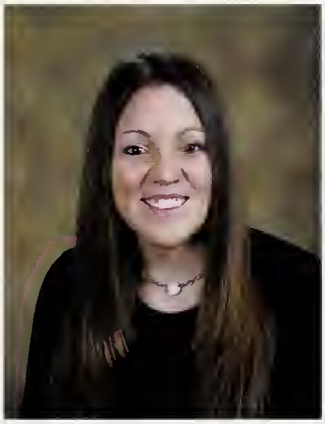

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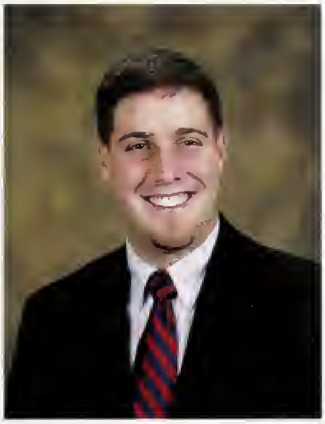

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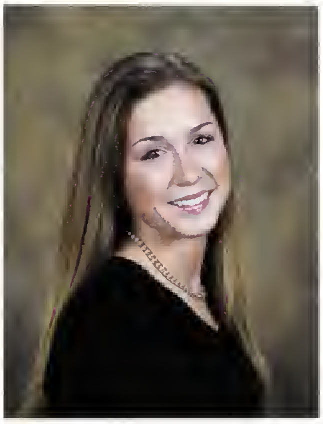

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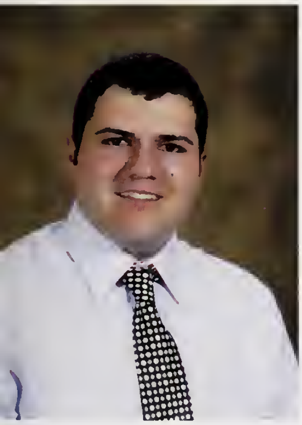

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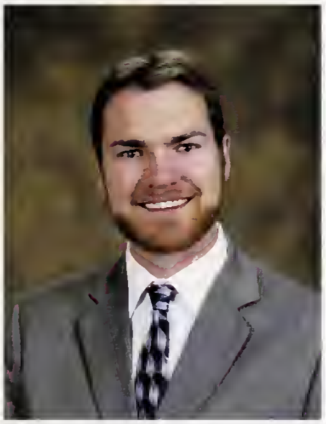

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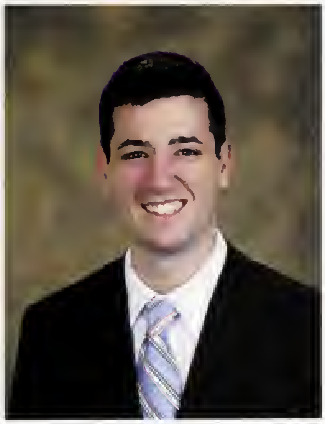

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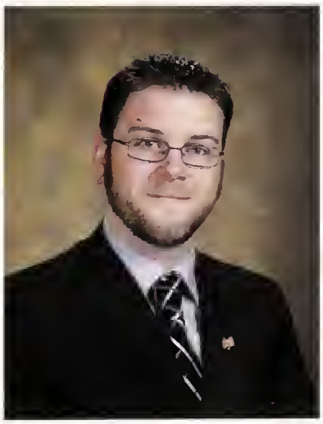

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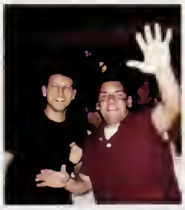

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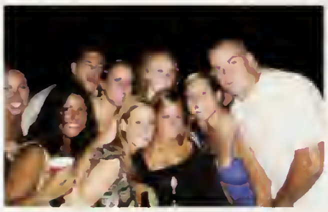

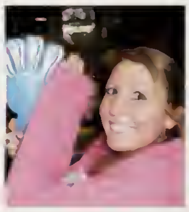

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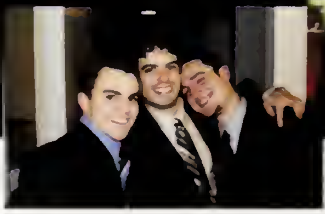

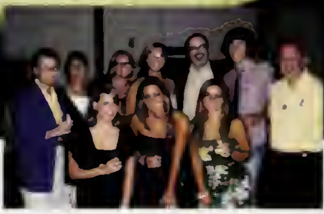

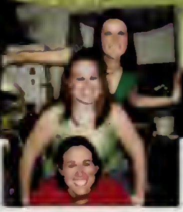

Events to Remember

2007 Junior Formal

Mr. Merrimack

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Amazing Merrimack Race

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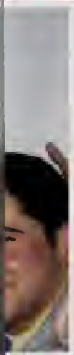
80's Prom

100 Days



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On February 8th, 2008, the Senior Class celebrated the "100 Days 'til Graduation" celebration in the Sakowich Center. The building was closed down for seniors only, and the Class of '08 enjoyed karaoke, a DJ, novelties, DDR, Guitar Hero, the musical stylings of Dave Binder, food & fun! This year's 100 Days had an '80's prom theme, and everyone looked great!

Merrimack College Back to the 80's

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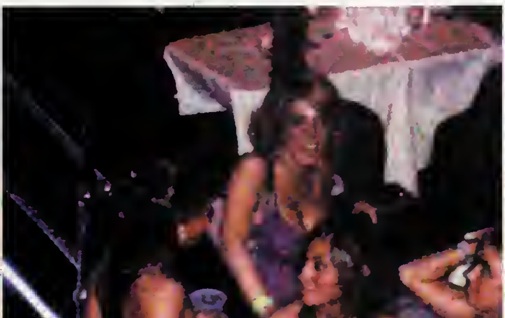
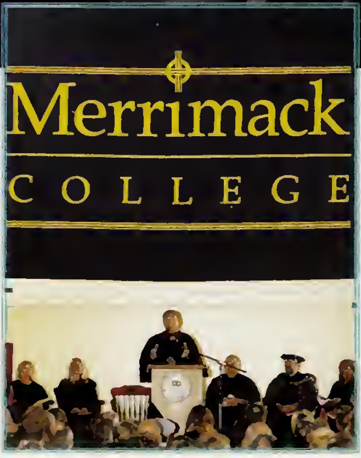
Boat Cruise

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Convocation

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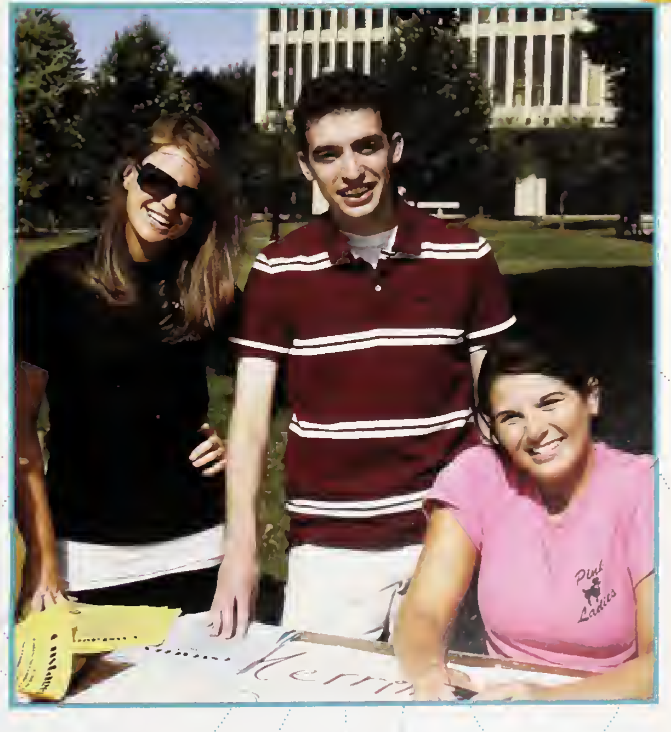
September 4, 2007 was Academic Convocation day, the official start of the academic year. In the morning, students had the opportunity to meet with the faculty in their division. Then, the seniors robed and processed in for the formal ceremony where they were spoken to by senior class president, Aimee Tsakirellis & math professor Michael Bradley. In the afternoon, students enjoyed a campus-wide lunch followed by the annual Student Activities Involvement Fair. It was an enjoyable day for everyone.



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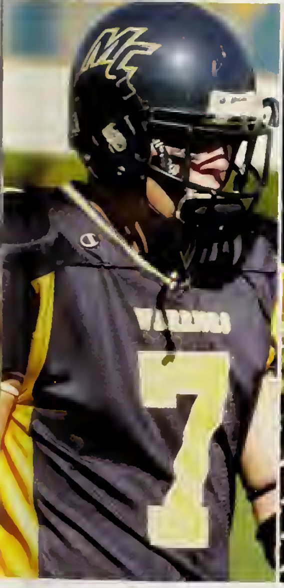
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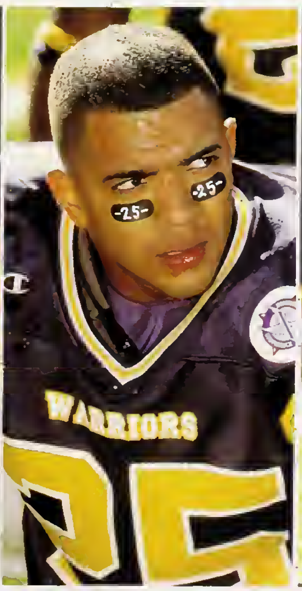
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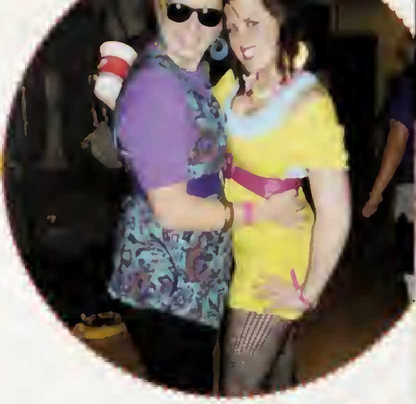
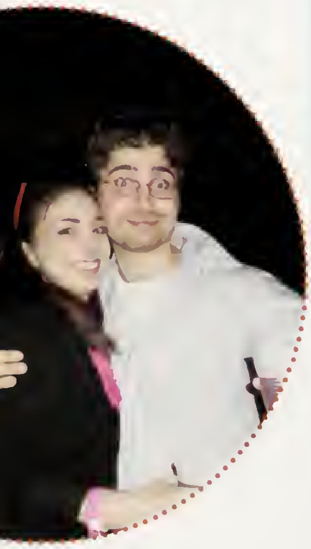
ALANA *Step Show*

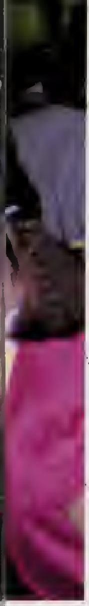
On February 29, 2008, ALANA hosted the first, and hopefully annual, step show. That evening in the Rogers Center, teams from neighboring colleges and other institutions competed in a step dance competition. The teams were all very talented, but Southern Connecticut State University took home the gold! Merrimack students enjoyed the opportunity to experience this new event.





100 Days

80's Prom



On February 8th, 2008, the senior class celebrated in 80's style to countdown to their last 100 days of college. Karaoke, a dj, a flashback to orientation with performer Dave Binder, Dance Dance Revolution, Guitar Hero, photo novelties, and lots of good food and drinks made for an unforgettable night!

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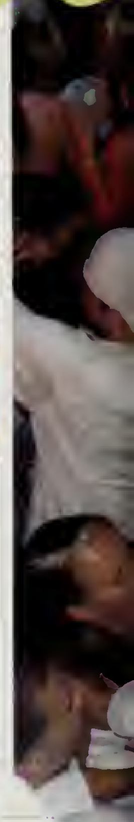
Merrimack College Back to the 80's

Boat Cruise



The first senior event on September 14th, 2007, sent the senior class cruising around Boston Harbor. The seniors danced the night away & celebrated the start of what they knew would be a phenomenal senior year!

Senior Toast

On May 2nd, 2008, the senior class finished off their year with the Senior Toast & final senior celebration. Seniors met outside the Rogers Center for a champagne toast, then they went inside to watch the senior slideshow. Although it was a rainy evening, the class of '08 didn't let that stop them from enjoying a night at Camp Evergreen with a barbecue, music, sports & a campfire. It was a great way to end the year together!

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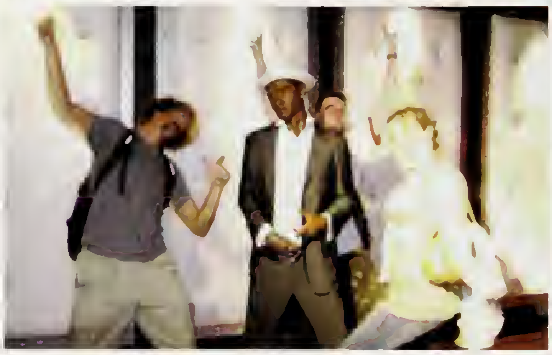

New York City

The Class of 2008 travelled to New York City on October 20th, 2007. Everyone met for lunch at Planet Hollywood, but they had the rest of the day to sightsee, shop, eat, or take in a show. Everyone enjoyed being able to escape from the metro-Boston to take in the city that never sleeps for a short while!

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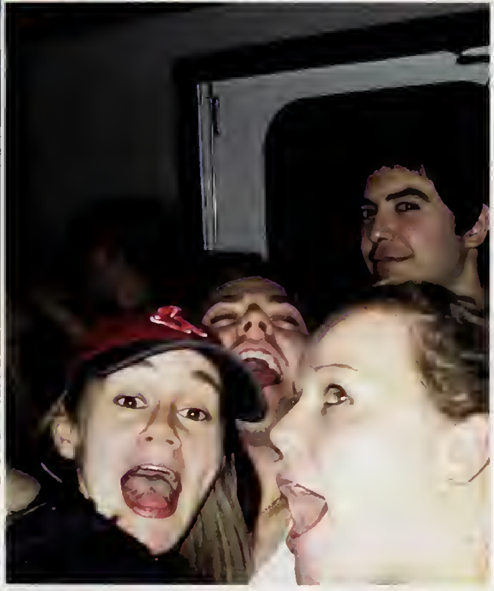

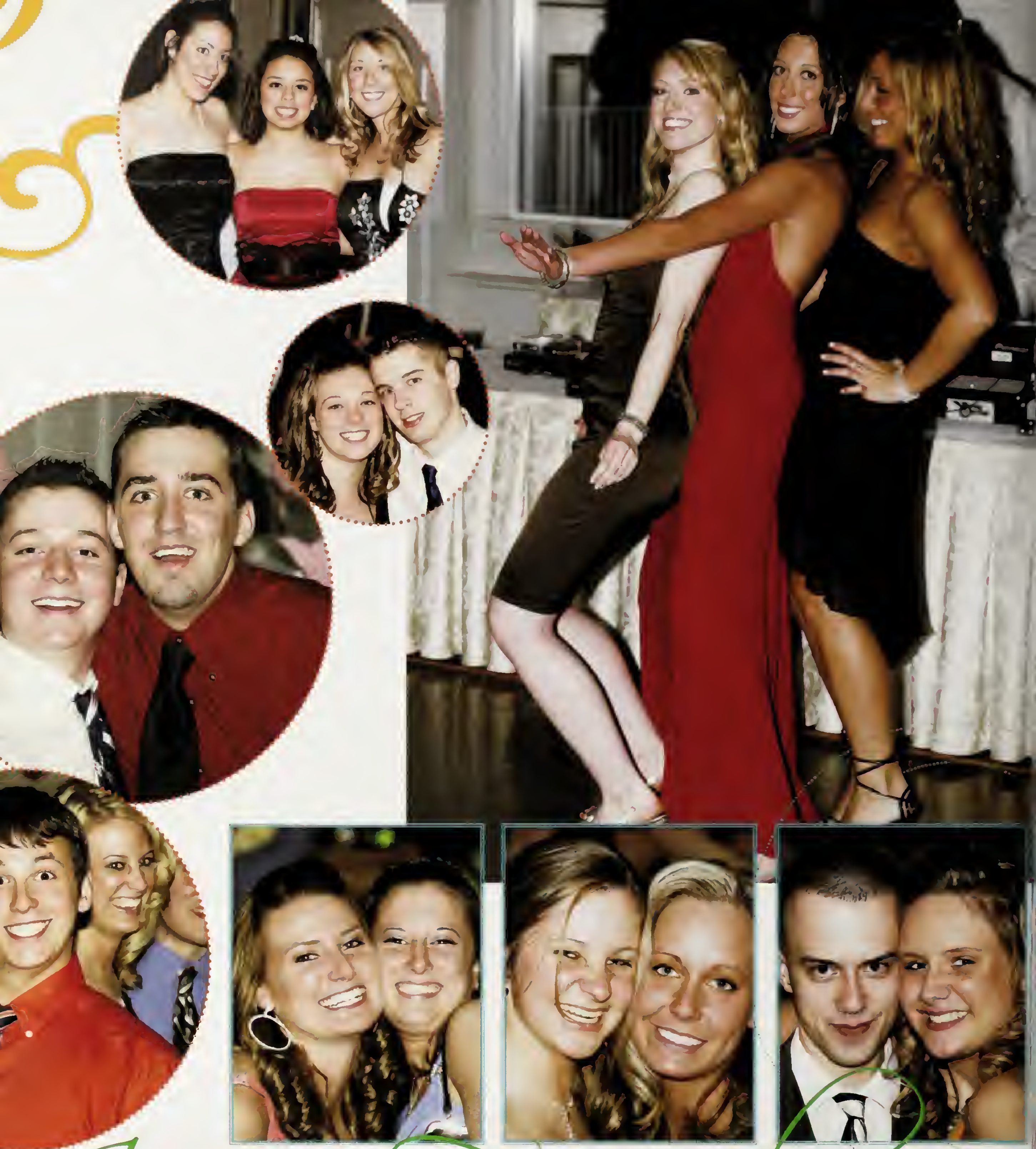

Junior Formal '07

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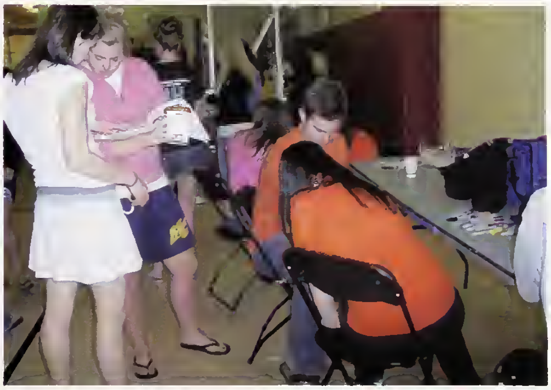
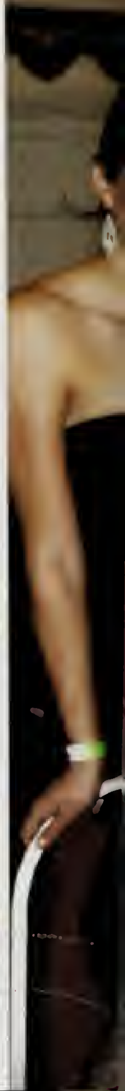
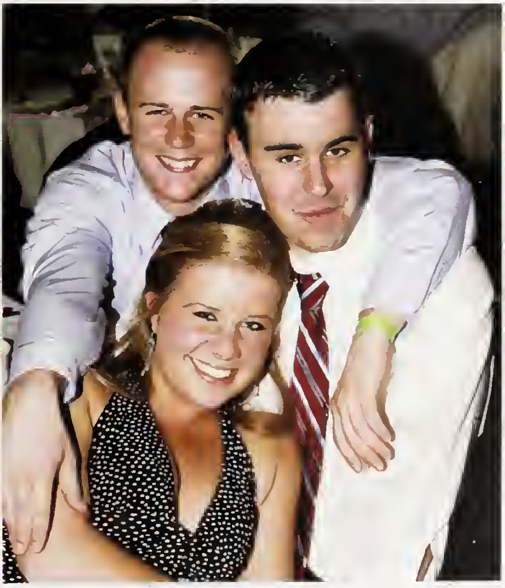
Cram Jam

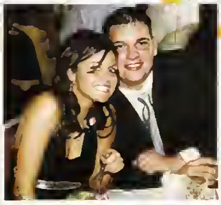
Spring Semester

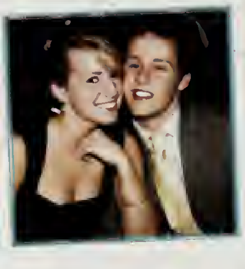
As always, Cram Jam serves as a great stress reliever during finals week. From 9-11pm, students head over to the MPR for late night breakfast & fun activities. Then they are able to refocus on their studies & successfully survive finals week.

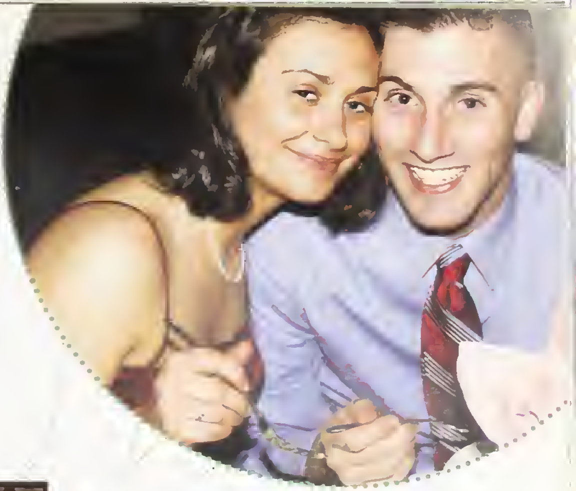


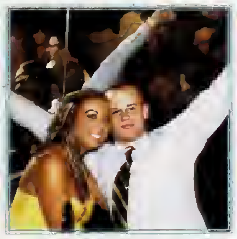




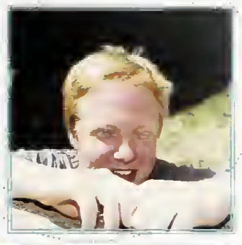








Spring Weekend



Spring Week '08 was once again a great week on campus. It featured a comedian, wheelchair basketball & concert among other events. That weekend, the Rugby Team hosted their first ever home game, the annual Amazing Merrimack Race was run, a hypnotist performed, "Kelly" from YouTube fame visited campus, and Phi Kappa Theta hosted a car bash to raise money and awareness about drunk driving. The weather was beautiful and everyone spend much of the weekend outdoors.

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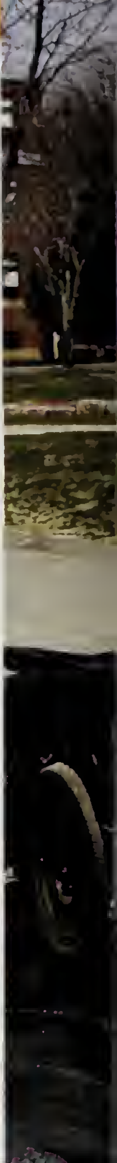

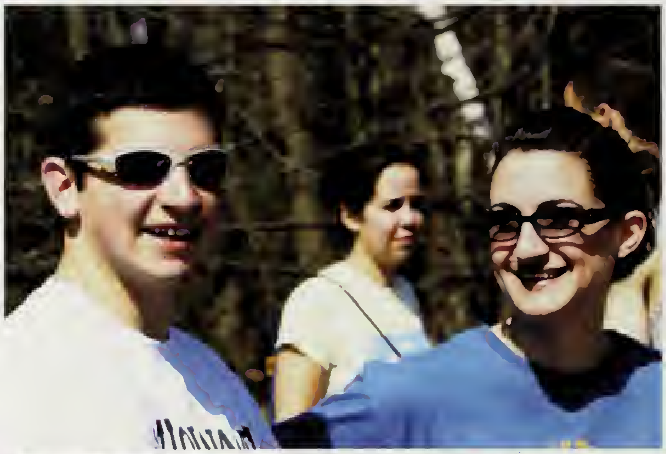

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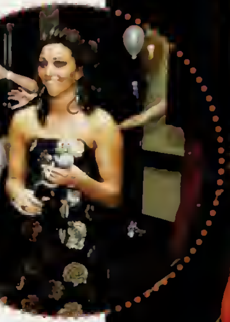
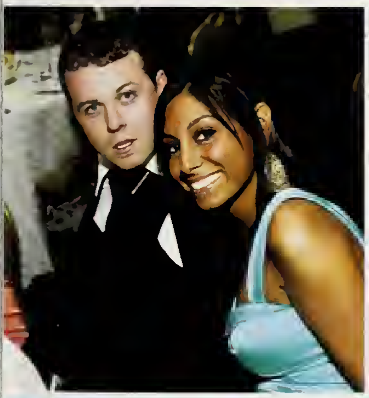
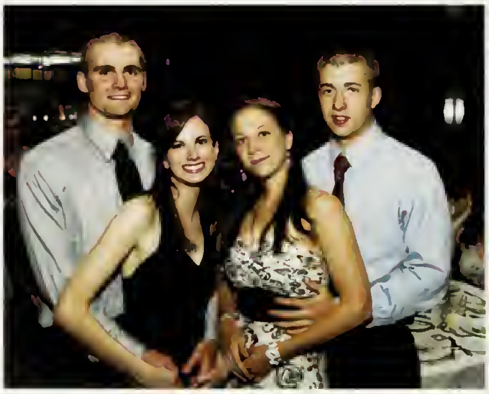
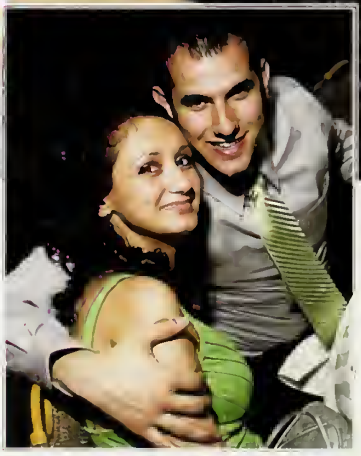


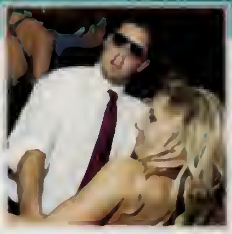
Senior Formal

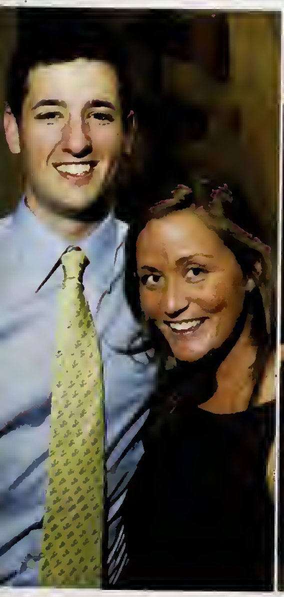
The Senior Formal was held at the Hyatt Harborside hotel on April 26th 2008. It was a beautiful evening and the skyline of Boston could be seen out the window. After dinner, seniors enjoyed a night of dancing and each other's company. Everyone looked great!

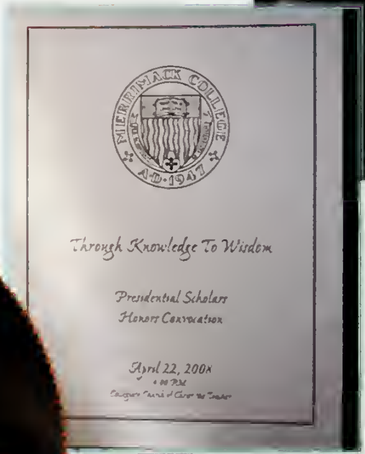












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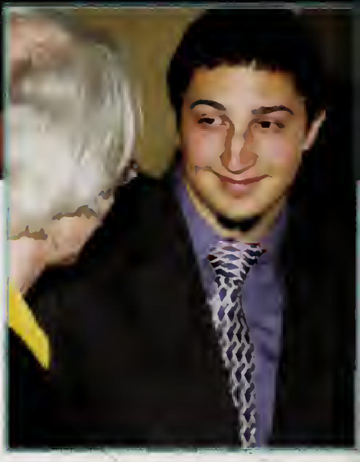
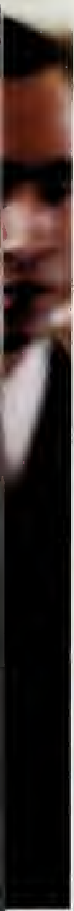
Through Knowledge To Wisdom

Presidential Scholars
Honors Convocation

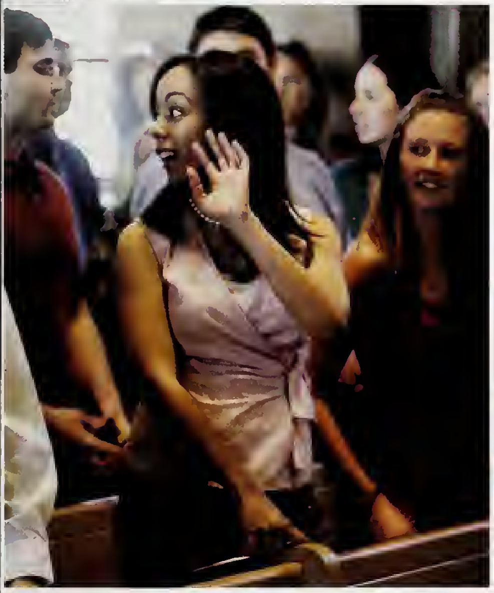
April 22, 2008

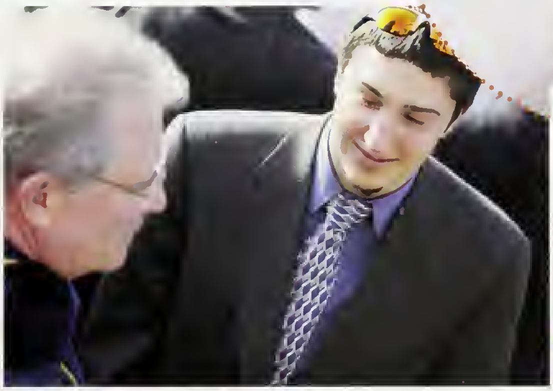


Honors' Convocation



Many of our seniors were recognized at this year's Honors Convocation, held on April 22nd, 2008. The campus' Presidential Scholars were recognized as well as the annual senior awards-winners. Many family members attended, and most attendees joined faculty & staff afterwards at a reception.





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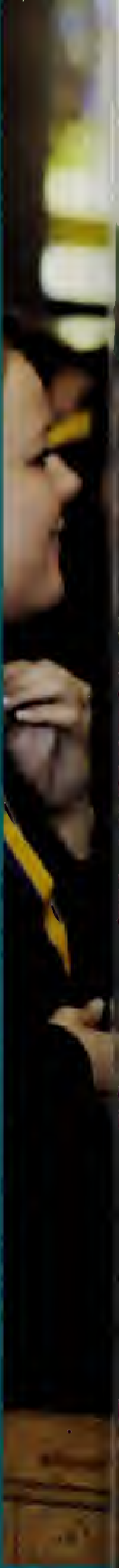

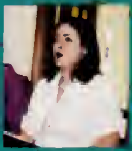

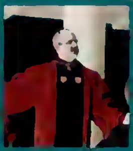
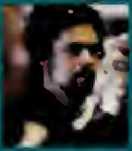
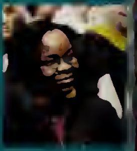

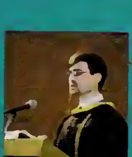

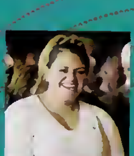

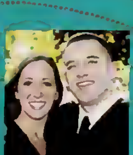

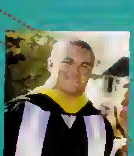

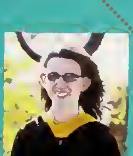

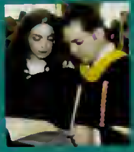

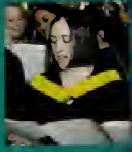

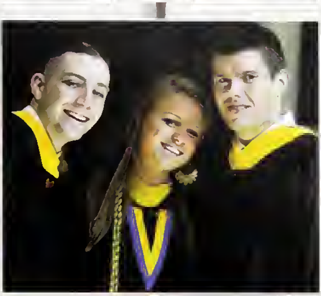

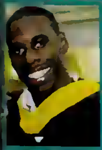
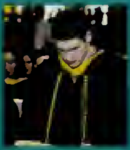
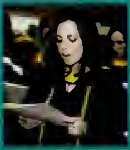

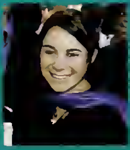

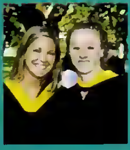

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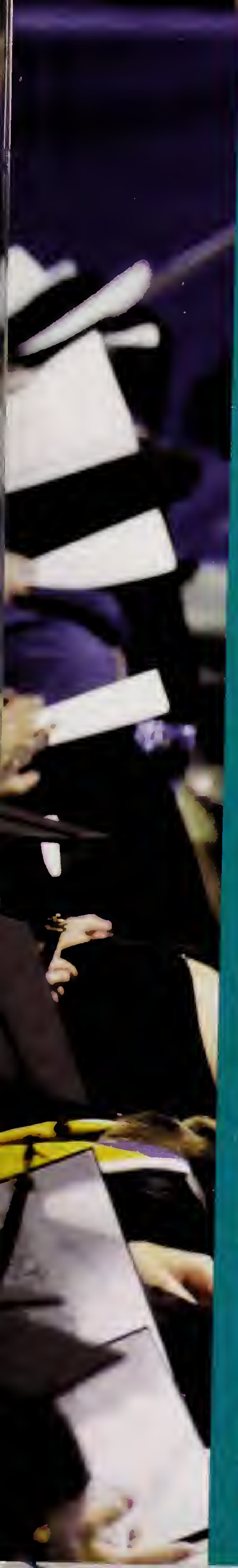

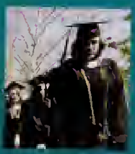

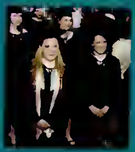

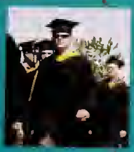

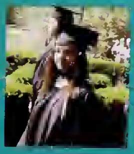

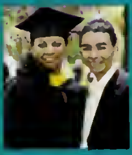

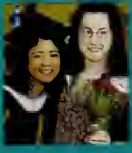

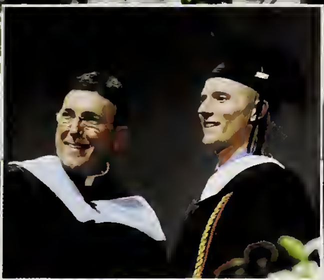

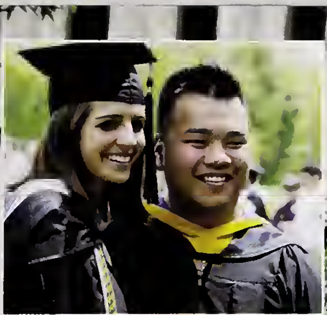

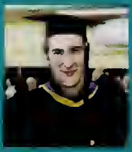

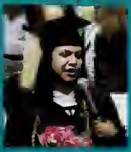

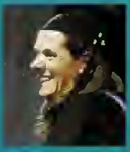

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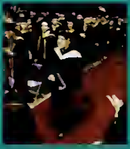

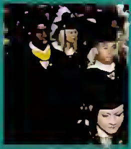

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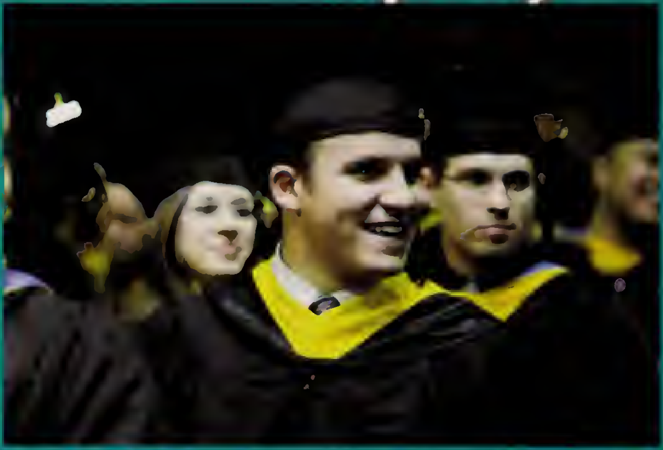

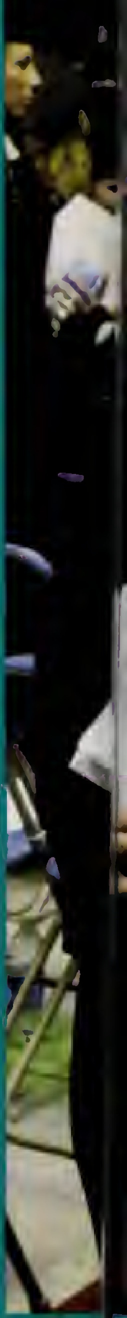

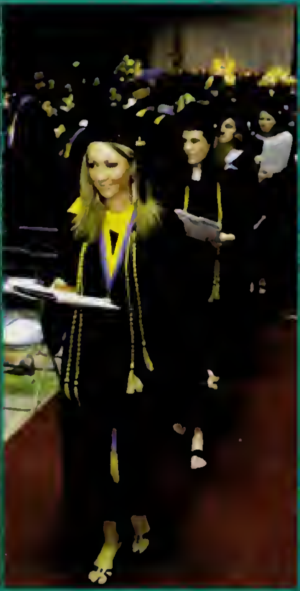

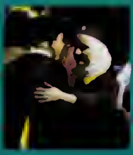

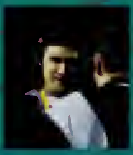

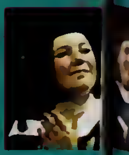

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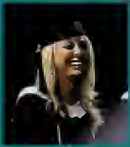

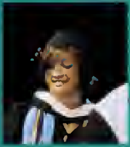

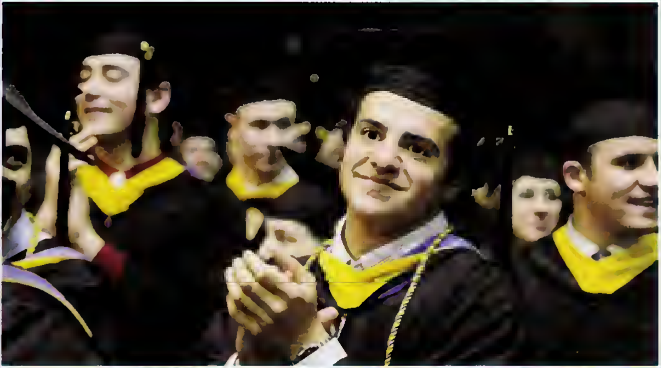

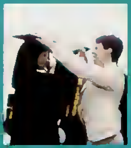

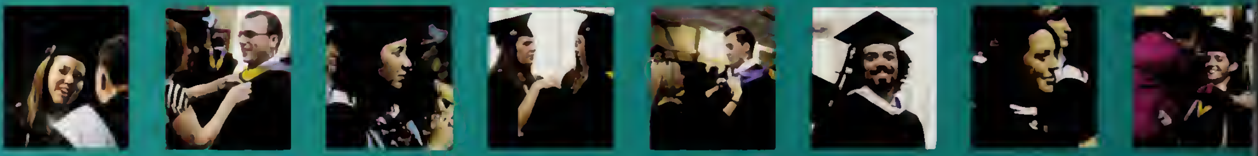

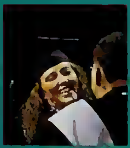

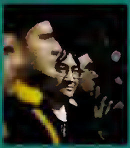

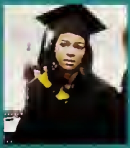

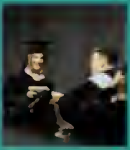

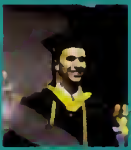

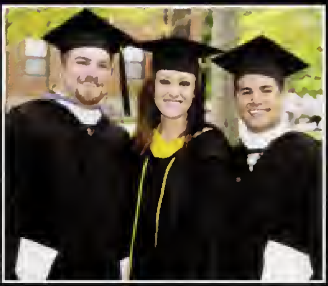

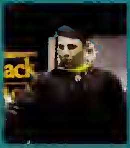
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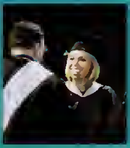

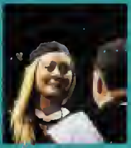

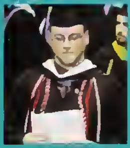

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Women's Cross Country

Allison O'Brien: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Laura Beatty: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team

Highlights: The men's cross country team finished 8th at the Northeast Regionals, while the women placed 7th. The men then finished 7th at the Northeast-10 Championships, while the women ran to a 5th place finish. Jefferson Welch captured the Shacklette Invitational, while the women's team won the team aspect of the meet, as they had runners finish second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth. Both teams were selected to the USTFCCCA National All-Academic Squad.

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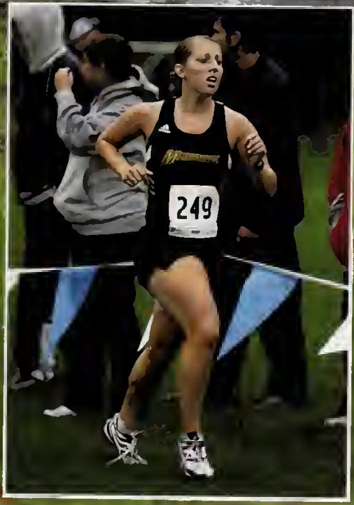
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Men's Cross Country

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Field Hockey (4-15, 4-12 NE-10, 9th)
Postseason: None
Keri Gerrish: NFHCA Division II Senior All-Star Game
Meaghan Nugent: NFHCA Division II Senior All-Star Game
Amy Larrabee: NFHCA Division II Senior All-Star Game
Awarded NCAA Div. II title for most saves per game.
Highlights: Team was named to 2007 ZAG/NFHCA Division II National Academic Squad.

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Football

Football (4-6, 4-5 NE-10, T-6th)

Postseason: None

Andrew Jackson:	Northeast-10 All-Conference Daktronics All-Region ECAC All-Star N.E. Football Writers Div. II All-Star
Ryan Salter	Northeast-10 All-Conference
Chris Laham	Northeast-10 All-Conference N.E. Football Writers Div. II All-Star
J.D. Wild	Northeast-10 All-Academic Team

Highlights: The Warriors defeated Southern Connecticut, who advanced to the NCAA Tournament, in New Haven. Colin Temple graduated owning every single game, season and career record in school history. He ranks 2nd all-time in Northeast 10 in touchdowns in a career and third in the region. Chris Laham's 13 receiving touchdowns and 14 totals TDs rank 2nd in school history for a season.

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Women's Soccer (13-5-4, 10-3-3 NE-10, 4th)

Postseason:

NE-10 Tournament: Defeated #5 Stonehill 3-0,
Lost to #1 St. Rose 2-0 in Semis

NCAA Tournament: Defeated #5 UML 1-0,
Lost to #1 St. Rose 3-1 in 2nd Round

Gabrielle Cramprey: Northeast-10 Second Team
Daktronics All-Region
NSCAA Third-Team All-American
NEWISA All-New England Second-team

Hillary McGarr: Northeast-10 First Team
Daktronics All-Region
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Heather Macedo: Northeast-10 First Team
NSCAA First-Team All-American
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Julie Anderson: Northeast-10 Second Team
Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
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Caitlin Hall: Northeast-10 Third Team
Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
NSCAA Third Team Academic All-American

Shannon Rowan: NSCAA Third-Team All-American

Jennifer Conway: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team

Highlights: 6th NCAA appearance in seven years and 22nd straight winning season. Only Merrimack team to win a NCAA Tournament game.

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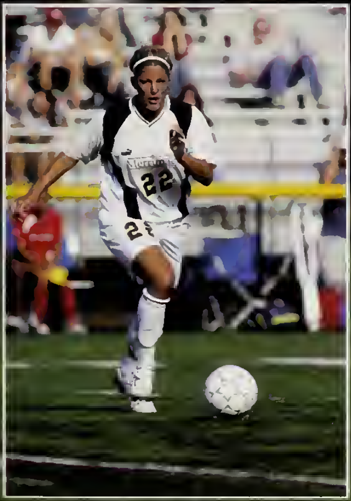

Men's Soccer

Men's Soccer (13-6-3, 6-4-3 NE-10, 5th)

Postseason:

NE-10 Tournament: Defeated Le Moyne 2-1 (2 OT), Franklin Pierce 1-0 (OT). Lost to Southern Connecticut in finals 2-1

Tiago Dalboni:	Northeast-10 First Team Daktronics All-Region
Andrea Ciano:	Northeast-10 First Team
Tokelo Gugushe:	Northeast-10 Second Team
Donnie Aylward:	Northeast-10 Third Team

Highlights: Two overtime victories in the conference tournament sent Merrimack to the conference championship. The Warriors, who were ranked 9th nationally in October, were the only team to be the national-champion Franklin Pierce this season. They started the season 8-1-1.

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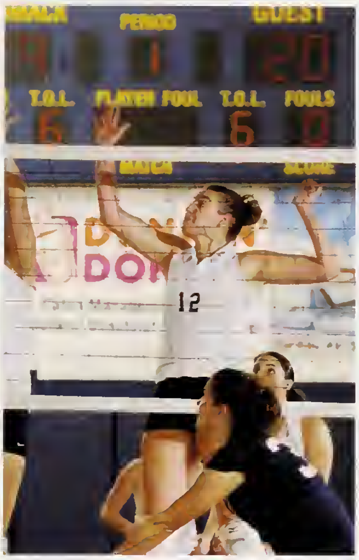

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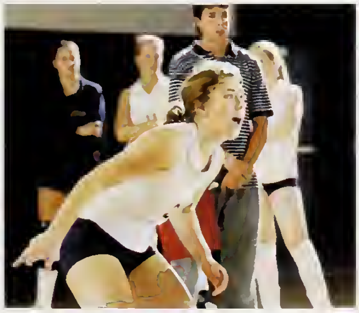
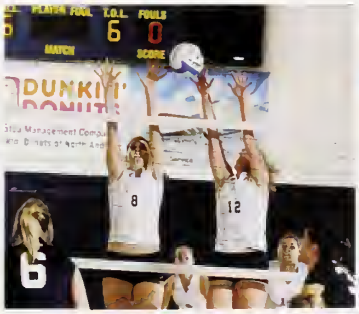
Volleyball

Volleyball (19-14, 12-3 NE-10, 3rd)
Postseason:
NE-10 Tournament: Defeated UML 3-0, Bentley 3-0.
Lost to Bryant 3-1 in finals
NCAA: Lost to #1 Dowling 3-1

Joey Pacis:	Northeast-10 Coach of the Year
Molly Cindric:	Northeast-10 Freshman of the Year Northeast-10 First Team Daktronics All-Region
Ale Kuncaitis:	Northeast-10 Third Team Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Lisa Barr:	Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Kristin Applegate:	Northeast-10 All-Academic Team

Highlights: First NCAA appearance in school history. 2nd NE 10 championship appearance. 19 wins is a school record. Cindric set single-season school records for total kills, total attacks, and block assists, while Elyse Lorenz set the record for total assists. Alyssa Pickert posted school highs in total digs and digs per game.

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Hockey

Hockey (12-18-4, 6-18-3 HEA, 10th)
Postseason: None
Andrew Braithwaite: Hockey East All-Conference Honorable Mention
Matt Jones: Hockey East All-Conference Honorable Mention

Highlights: After winning just three games in 2006-07, Merrimack started the season 3-0. They finished unbeaten (6-0-1) in non-conference play for first-time ever and allowed the fewest goals since joining Hockey East in 1988. They swept #16 Maine at home for the first-time ever and upset #7 Northeastern and swept #14 Providence in a home-and-home.

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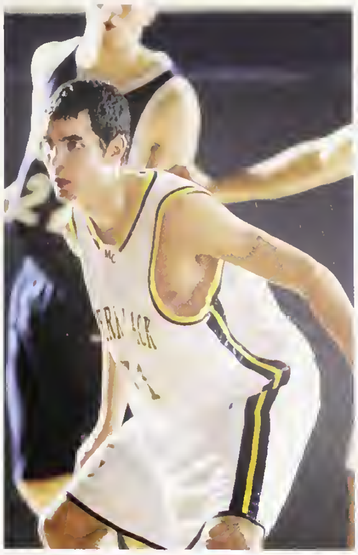

Men's Basketball (17-12, 12-10 NE-10, T-5th)
Postseason:
NE-10: Lost to UML 70-69
NCAA: Lost to #1 Bentley 81-68

Darren Duncan: Northeast-10 First Team
Daktronics All-Region
NABC All-District First Team
ECAC 2nd Team

Darin Mency: Northeast-10 Freshman of the Year
ECAC Freshman of the Year

Highlights: Selected to NCAA Tournament for 6th time in history, 1st since 1999-00. Duncan: led the conference in assists and steals and was fifth nationally in assists. Mency was a seven-time Freshman of the Week. Merrimack started the season 6-0 for first time in school history, leading to #25 national ranking.

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Women's Basketball

Women's Basketball (9-19, 5-17 NE-10, 14th)
Postseason: None
Amanda Shannon: Northeast-10 Third-Team Selection
Kara Borelli: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team

Highlights: Won four straight in January, defeating Saint Anselm, LeMoyne, AIC and Bentley. Shannon led the Warriors in scoring in 24 of 28 games and ranked sixth in the conference. The Warriors visited Alaska over Thanksgiving, taking part in the North Star Invitational.

Baseball (18-27, 13-17 NE-10, 8th)
Postseason: None
Jeff Bercume: Northeast-10 Conference First Team
Brendan Pyburn: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
Ryan O'Rourke: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
Ryan Shepard: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Highlights: Defeated #4 Franklin Pierce 7-3 on April 9th.
Ryan O'Rourke set the school record for strikeouts in a season with 83 and was 5-4 with a 1.79 ERA in 80 innings.

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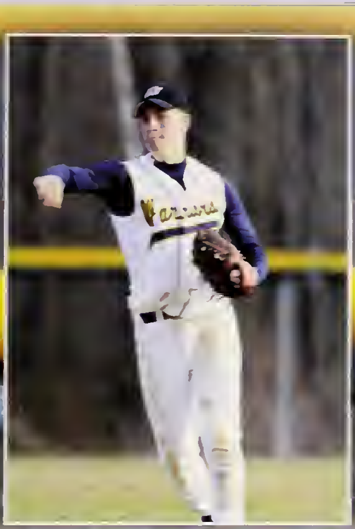

Baseball

Softball (9-27, 9-19 NE-10, 13th)
Postseason: None
Jill Richards: Northeast-10 Conference Second Team
Katie Crowley: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Emily Cummings: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Vicky Cotter: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Highlights: Freshman Kelsey Ellis led the Warriors with a .374 average, 4 triples and 14 steals. Jill Gagnon launched a team high 5 homers and drove in 18 runs, while posting a team-best 3.35 ERA and six complete games in 71 innings on the mound.

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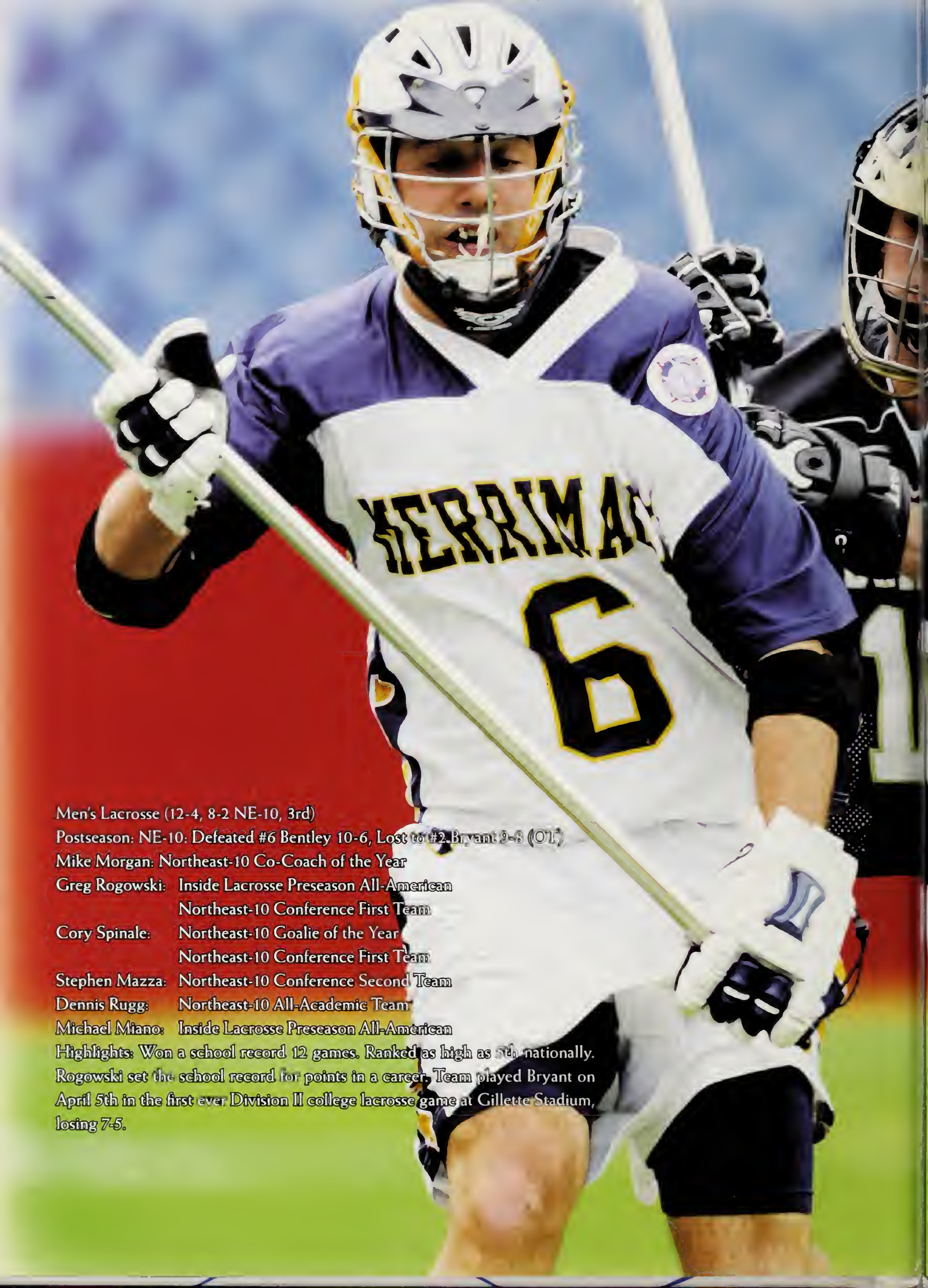

Men's Lacrosse (12-4, 8-2 NE-10, 3rd)
Postseason: NE-10: Defeated #6 Bentley 10-6, Lost to #2 Bryant 9-8 (OT)
Mike Morgan: Northeast-10 Co-Coach of the Year
Greg Rogowski: Inside Lacrosse Preseason All-American
Northeast-10 Conference First Team
Cory Spinale: Northeast-10 Goalie of the Year
Northeast-10 Conference First Team
Stephen Mazza: Northeast-10 Conference Second Team
Dennis Rugg: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Michael Miano: Inside Lacrosse Preseason All-American

Highlights: Won a school record 12 games. Ranked as high as 5th nationally. Rogowski set the school record for points in a career. Team played Bryant on April 5th in the first ever Division II college lacrosse game at Gillette Stadium, losing 7-5.

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Women's Lacrosse (8-6, 7-3 NE-10, 4th)
Postseason:
NE-10: Lost to #5 Saint Michael's 18-15
Kelly Pasquantonio: Northeast-10 Conference First Team
Lauren Leddy: Northeast-10 Conference First Team
Mia Basile: Northeast-10 Conference Second Team
Liz Lyons: Northeast-10 Conference Second Team
Kerri Bomil: Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
Highlights: Pasquantonio finished second in the conference with 62 goals and 80 points. They were the top offensive team in the conference, averaging nearly 17 goals per game.

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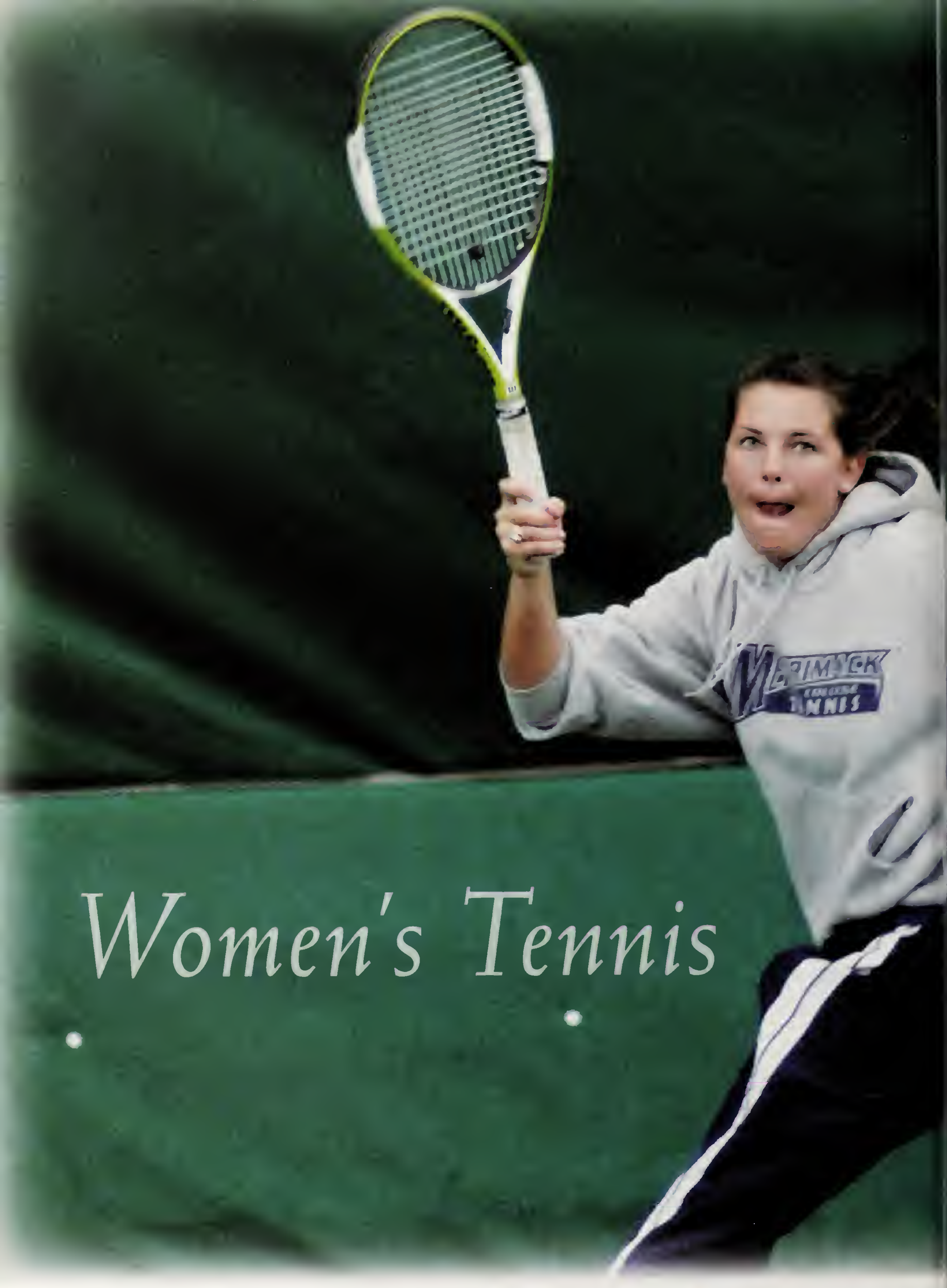
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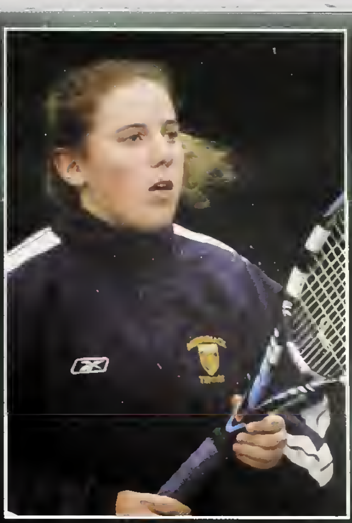

Women's Tennis (10-8, 8-4 NE-10, 5th)
Postseason: NE-10: Lost to #4 Stonehill 5-1
Stellina Saia: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
Amanda Carroll: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
Caitlin Dunn: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team Doubles
Jessica Lamb: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team Doubles
Highlights: Set school record with 10 wins in a season.

Men's Tennis (10-7, 8-2 NE-10, 3rd)
Postseason:
NE-10: Defeated #6 Pace 5-0, Lost to #2 Stonehill 5-1
NCAA: Lost to #2 Bloomsburg 5-0
Chris Stevens: Northeast-10 Coach of the Year
Adam Wilding: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team
Northeast-10 All-Academic Team
John Seaward: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team
Steve Viglione: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team
Tim McHugh: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
Liam Hoare: Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team
McHugh/Hoare: Northeast-10 All-Conference First Team Doubles
Seaward/Viglione: Northeast-10 All-Conference Second Team Doubles

Highlights: All six starters were selected to the Northeast-10 All-Conference Team. First-ever NCAA Tournament appearance. Defeated Division I Holy Cross 5-4 in the fall season.

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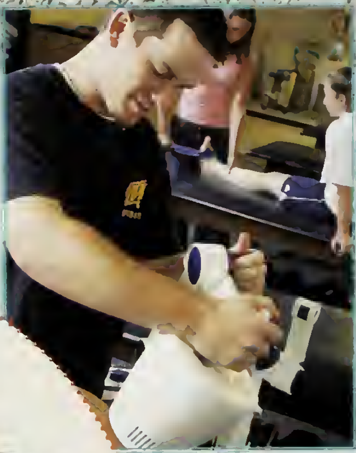

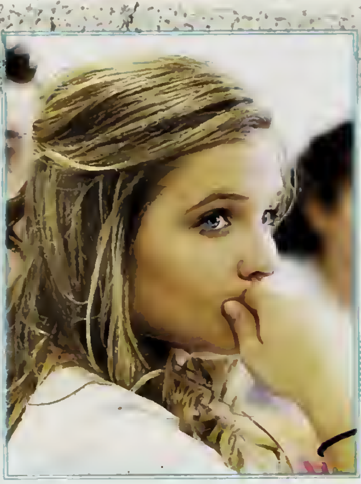

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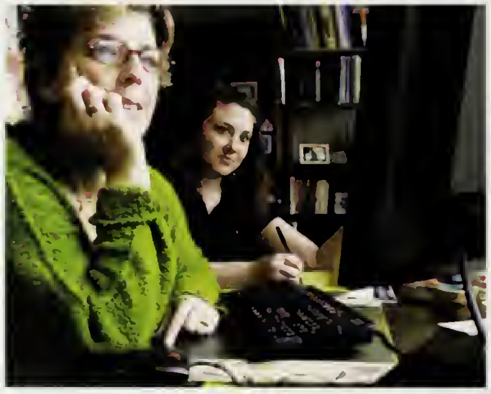

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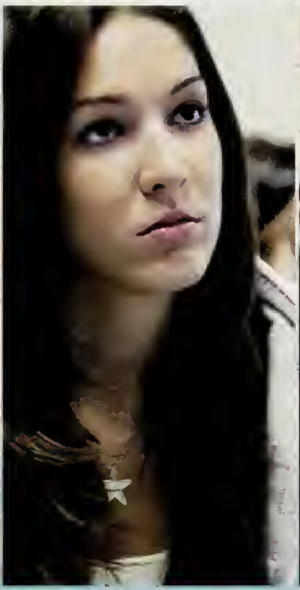

Faculty Profiles

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Bio:

- Born: April 1, 1930, Wakefield, MA, third child of William L. Wenzel and Gertrude McFadden
- Graduated from Wakefield High School, June 1948
- Attended Merrimack College: Sept. '48 – June '50
- Entered the Augustinian Order: August 30, '50
- Professed Vows: September 10, '51
- Graduated with a B.A. in philosophy: Villanova University, PA, June '53
- Ordained a Priest at the Collegiate Church of Christ, the Teacher, Merrimack College, North Andover, MA by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing, May 26, '56
- Spent 30 years in parish ministry in four different parishes:
  - a) '58 – '68: St. Augustine, Andover, MA, associate pastor
  - b) '68 – '74: St. Augustine, Lawrence, MA, pastor
  - c) '74 – '79: St. Nicholas of Tolentine, Jamaica, NY, pastor
  - d) '79 – '86: St. Mary, Lawrence, MA, pastor
  - e) '86 – '95: Augustinian College, Washington, DC, prior, professor
  - f) '95 – '99: Convento S. Agostino, San Gimignano, Italy, Spiritual Director and Hospitality in an Augustinian International Community
  - g) '99 -- present: Merrimack College, North Andover, MA, professor, Director of the Center for Augustinian Study and Legacy, campus minister

Father Jim Wenzel

How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience? There is little if any comparison to contemporary life at Merrimack when compared vith my own college experience. During my two years at Merrimack, I was a commuter; the school had about 220 students my first year and approximately 330 ny second year; all of them were male students.
There were only a few extracurricular activities and literally no campus as yet. My two years at Villanova were spent in a House of Formation (seminary) on the grounds of Villanova but we had very little contact with the rest of the student body.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: For the past eight years, I have taught a Religious Studies course on St. Augustine: His Life and His Thought in the Fall semester. I have also conducted a First Year Seminar on Augustine and the Augustinians: one in the Fall and two in the Spring emester. St. Augustine's life has a beneficial message for students; students have learned that many of his experiences and struggles are similar to their own. Learning about his life assists students to reflect on their own lives in a positive way. Similarly, learning about the Augustinians who founded Merrimack assists he students to have a much better appreciation about the origins and identity of their college.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? Perhaps one thing that might surprise students is that given my age, I continue to be priest on a college campus. I experience a great sense of fulfillment being with and ministering to college students, trying to be available to them in a variety of ways. My experience has been that there are some great opportunities to exercise priestly service. Also, I have found that many are surprised when they learn hat I was a student here at Merrimack almost from the very beginning of the school or that I lived in Italy for a while.

How do you spend a typical weekend? My weekends cannot be described as 'typical'. It depends on the season of the year. In the late spring, summer and arly fall, I often witness marriages, many of them of former students. Almost every Sunday, I preside at one or two Sunday Masses at my home parish, St. oseph, in Wakefield. During the Academic Year, most often I preside at the Campus Mass. Two or three times a year, I go on a retreat, e.g., a M.O.R.E. retreat or Baseball retreat with students. In the Fall, I attend all the football games and again, depending on the season, try to attend basketball, hockey, soccer, and aseball games. In between, I spend time with my sister or with friends.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? The most rewarding part of teaching for me has been to see the number of students who have gone on to desire o know more about St. Augustine and the Augustinians so as to incorporate their learning into their lives. Several have done a year of service as an Augustinian Volunteer. Many have participated in our Pellegrinaggio in Italia, the annual pilgrimage to Augustinian Italy. I have witnessed the marriages of some of my tudents and I am in contact with a number of them as active members or our alumni.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? The most difficult part of teaching for me is reading and correcting exams. I dislike having to judge and then'rank' tudents yet I know that it is necessary. I make every effort to be fair in the grading process.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? I think I have already responded to this in question number 5. However just to add a bit more, I ind that the vitality of students of this age helps me keep young at heart and in my thinking. I experience a hope for the future of the Catholic Church and for our vorld when I get to know many of the students. The friendship of many of them has been a great gift to me.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? What I am most proud of in my academic career is having been able to establish the annual Pellegrinaggio in Italia in March of each year during the school's Spring Break. It has been a great vehicle for building community and for imparting the Augustinian dentity of the College. It has also led me to design and implement a second similar experience, Austin Wayfarers: A Pilgrimage to Augustinian England and reland which took place in late June and early July in 2006. And currently, with the help of four other individuals, we are designing a similar experience for a ourney to Augustinian Spain, hopefully to take place in late May of 2009 . These international experiences are a means of sharing our Augustinian values and egacy.

What's been your most memorable moment in teaching? I don't know if I can say that I have one most memorable moment in teaching yet one event does come to mind now that I think of it. While teaching the course on St. Augustine: His Life and His Thought a few years ago, I invited the students to consider incorporating Service Learning as part of the course. Specifically, I mentioned a dream that I had of establishing a Chapter of Best Buddies on campus. Best Buddies s an international organization which invites college students to become a 'best buddy' with mentally challenged adults in the local community. I had worked vith very young mentally challenged children at St. Augustine's Parish in Andover in the 1960's when I was a young priest. The children are adults now; I wanted o minister to them again. One of my female students spoke with me about this invitation and with the help of several other students, we were able to establish Best Buddies group here at Merrimack. The Augustinian values of service to the community and of making a difference in the lives of others is the foundation of Best Buddies. Having a student respond to what she was learning has given me a great sense of personal satisfaction.

Michael Mascolo

Bio. I was born in 19xx. Don't ask. I had a hard life. My parents made me work in a steel mill until I was 18. Then I escaped and went to college. I did well and went to graduate school (University at Albany). Then to Merrimack. I did my post-doctoral work at Harvard University. Then back to Merrimack where I have been making students miserable for longer than I can remember.

How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience? I went to school in a large state college. The teaching was, for the most part, impersonal. The students did a lot of partying and were not very serious. At Merrimack, I find that the best teachers care deeply about their students. The students have a sense of community that I find quite admirable.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: I teach developmental psychology. It teaches you how to mess up little kids.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? I play the blues on my Les Paul Gibson. Sometimes I can actually be pleasant. Well, once anyway.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? The most rewarding part of teaching is forming working relationships with students and seeing them transform over time. Teaching for me has little to do with imparting knowledge, although that certainly happens. For me, the greatest moments of teaching occur when a student finds his or her own intellectual voice. When that happens, the real learning begins. The student can become a partner in learning, and not simply someone who sees him- or herself as dutifully following directions.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? Getting students to see that they have to take charge of their education and see that college can really be a time to develop all aspects of the self. Many students see learning as a process of just doing what the professor tells them to do in order to get a grade or pass a course. This kills the real excitement of learning. The hardest part of teaching is to help students define their education as a kind of quest – as a way of cultivating a self. It's hard to get students to stop letting their education get in the way of their learning.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? ? I can't stand little kids. I like to philosophize. You can't do that with little kids.

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Bio: I received my B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Maine in 1990 and completed my MBA at the University of Southern Maine in 1995. In 2001 I received my Ph.D. in Organizational Studies from the University of Massachusetts. My research has focused broadly on gender and leadership and the transformation of business education (presenting my scholarship at national and international conferences and publishing in Psychological Reports and Advanced Management Journal). I presently serve as the Assistant Dean of the Girard School of Business and International Commerce.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: Obviously, business is all around us and its effects are pervasive. Business affects and is affected by politics, demographics, social values, the economy, international relations, etc. Business education truly is the nexus of the liberal arts, science, and technology. But it's not just bringing the far reaching nature of business into the classroom that I find so invigorating. To me, it's developing the skills of business—the interpersonal skills, the communication skills, the analytical and decision-making skills—that I find so central to preparing Merrimack students for their lives and their careers. If done right, business education is possibly the most comprehensive application of the liberal arts approach to education.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? Gosh, I pretty much am what I am with my students, so I'm not to sure that there's much that they would find surprising. I try to be the same human being in the classroom that I am elsewhere. I always just try to be Jim. I guess that's one of the things that I always wanted to be as a professor. But if I have to pick one thing students wouldn't probably know, I still get anxious and nervous being in front of a classroom. I'm a pretty hardcore introvert.

How do you spend a typical weekend: Let's see, I have four kids ranging from 1 year old to 15, so guess what my weekends look like!

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Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? I remember before my dad passed away (unexpectedly and at a young age) he told me that he still felt like an 18 year old in his head and in his heart. I didn't get what he was saying at the time as I was probably not too much older than that myself. Now, it makes perfect sense. So to the extent that I am locked in time in my own head and heart, it helps to be perpetually surrounded by people in this age group. It probably sounds pretty cliché, but this job is like a fountain of youth. Just when you start to feel a little old or a little worn, you step into the well and feel young again. No matter what experiences I have accumulated in my life, I find it so invigorating to be around people about to embark upon their adult lives. Maybe I live a little vicariously through them?

James Grinnell

Gordene MacKenzie

Bio: Graduated from University of New Mexico with a Ph.D in American Studies and a minor focus in Clinical Psychology in 1992. Award-winning feminist professor, gender activist, and author of "Transgender Nation" and numerous articles on gender, Gordene produced and co-hosted GenderTalk Radio for 8 years and currently produces and co-hosts GenderVision, an educational program on gender that airs on cable access. She also directs the Women's and Gender Studies program at Merrimack College and lectures wildly on sex and gender, media politics, popular culture, film, and women's studies.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: Gender affects every aspect of our life from the way we personally identify to the choices we make and the choices that are made for us to how we relate to the world and how the world relates to us. Our views on Gender are changing.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? I write poetry and fiction, enjoy making jewelry and am a long time advocate for animal rights.

How do you spend a typical weekend? When I finish my work- often writing or speaking engagements included, my partner and I enjoy being outdoors near the ocean hiking and enjoying the wildlife.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? Getting to know the students and having the privilege of teaching a subject that I love.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? Grading- to be sure that I am being fair to each student

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? Because they are the future.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? Probably combining academia and activism and helping to make a difference in the lives of persons who have been stigmatized because of their gender identity and expression. And being honored for the work I have done.

Bio I am actually a Merrimack College graduate in psychology, and earned my Masters degree in Psychology at Tufts University. While I was still a graduate student, I was offered the opportunity to teach a course in what was then called Sensation, Perception & Cognition in the Division of Continuing Education here at Merrimack. A year after that, in October of 1990, I was hired as Associate Dean of Continuing Education here, and held a variety of positions and titles in DCE for the next 13 years. In the summer of 2003, I became a member of the Academic Support Services team, and now hold the position of Director of the Center for Academic Enrichment and Adjunct Professor of Psychology

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: The work I do here gives me opportunity to teach in two areas. In the classroom, I teach psychology and in the Academic Enrichment Center, I try to teach skills and attitudes necessary to be a successful college student. Since psychology is an attempt to systematically study what it means to be a human being, and the skills needed to be successful in college involve a solid work ethic and perseverance, I think that they both apply directly to life.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? They would never believe me, but I consider myself to be a pretty shy person. In class and in my work as an academic counselor, I am very much an outgoing, open person, and I feel pretty comfortable in conversations with just about anybody. But, when it comes to opening up about myself, it's a very different story...even telling you this is tough.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? Hands down, without question, it's my students. The energy and personality that comes with each one is different and contributes something that enriches my experience. Even as I write this I know how clichéd it must sound, but it's absolutely true. I am in my 19th year as an adjunct professor, and I mean it sincerely when I say that every class I have taught has brought something, taught me something that stays long after they are gone.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? Getting students to understand, I mean really understand, how important each of them is to the teaching & learning relationship. I still don't know that most really get how much impact they have on the work we do together and how seriously I take their input and their participation in our classroom experience together. It's something I work on all the time.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? I really believe that every stage of life brings its own set of challenges and opportunities, and our goal is to navigate through life the best we can. The challenges and opportunities that come during the traditional college years are a combination of potential and responsibility, of really opening up and exploring while thinking in terms of a "grown up" life. The mix is pretty daunting at times, but the resilience and the belief that all is possible is still alive in most of us then, and being involved in helping people find their way, so to speak, is great. I also love the fact that I can have mature, intelligent conversations with my students and they come to understand that mutually respectful relationships are absolutely possible in teaching & learning environments.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? When a student I have worked with either in the classroom or in academic enrichment tells me that I made a real difference in their lives, I am so blown away that I still don't know what to say. To come to know, by means of a card, a note, a phone call or a hug at graduation, that a student is taking away something positive, uplifting and hopefully permanent from our work together, is unlike anything else I've done. The relationships I had with my teachers and professors when I was a student impacted me profoundly and absolutely helped to shape who I am and what matters most to me. If I have that impact on even a few people, there isn't anything in my career that could mean more than that.

Diane Shaw

Michael Bradley

Bio: Eight days after receiving my PhD in mathematics from the University of Notre Dame in 1983, I started teaching a summer school course here at Merrimack College where I had earned my BA in mathematics in 1978. In the 25 years since then, I have become a tenured, full professor and chair of the Department of Mathematics. I have taught 30 different courses in math and computer science, and have worked in summer programs with high school students and with school teachers. I have written 12 books including three textbooks that have been used by thousands of Merrimack students and a set of five books that profile the lives of famous mathematicians.

How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience? I chose to come to Merrimack as a faculty member to give back to other students what the faculty and staff had given to me when I was a student here in the 1970s. I enjoyed a wonderful experience learning about math and learning about life. I try to carry on the college's tradition of knowledgeable, caring professors who spend time with their students outside of class in academic, extracurricular, and social settings. Through these many interactions, my professors helped me to build confidence in my abilities and made me feel good about who I was as a person. I want to do that for others during this important period in their lives.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: In three words, math is "logic with numbers". Learning mathematics helps you to develop skills in problem-solving and logical reasoning. Whether or not you happen to be working with numbers, these skills are important in any career and in daily life. A mastery of mathematics opens so many doors and enables you to think about things more deeply. Because math is also an art, it allows you to appreciate beauty in the patterns that others might not see.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? I failed my first five tests and my oral comprehensive exam in my first year of graduate school. Although what I do in the classroom might seem effortless, it comes after disappointment, struggle, and hard-work.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? The "Aha!" moment when a struggling student has a break-through and finally understands an idea. Knowing that I played a role in that magical process is what I love most about teaching. These moments renew my creative energy for teaching.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? Giving a failing grade to a student. It is painful to tell a person that he or she has not measured up to my expectations, especially if he/she really tried all semester. I feel responsible for all my students, so I consider this to be my failure as well.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? Their energy keeps me young. Also, that period in my life was special, so I want to make it special for others as well.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? When I walked up on stage at the 2001 commencement exercises to receive the college's Edward G. Roddy Outstanding Teacher Award, the entire graduating class and the faculty stood up and cheered. Although I always felt that I was accepting this award as a representative of the many excellent teachers we have on our faculty rather than as an individual, this recognition of my efforts by the students and by my peers touched me deeply.

What's your most memorable moment in teaching? The same moment has happened several times over my career - students dressed up like me (wearing Hawaiian shirts, or suspenders and glasses, or some other "Dr. B" outfit) to give their group presentation, to take their final exam, or for some other event. I was flattered by their imitation of me because it signified that we had become partners in our learning and that the respect, concern, and friendship that I had shown to them were being returned in kind.

Bio Kathleen Sills, Ph.D. (Associate Professor) has been a member of the Fine Arts Dept since 2002, specializing in the teaching of performance. (Acting and Directing) Dr. Sills also teaches Playwriting, Theatre History and Women in Theatre. She has directed seven productions since joining the college. She is the advisor for the Merrimack College Onstagers. A certified teacher of the Michael Chekhov method of actor training, Dr. Sills also performs and directs in the greater Boston area. She holds a Ph.D. from Tufts University, an M.A. from Lesley University and a B.S. from Northwestern University. She founded the Lifeline Theatre Company in Chicago in 1982, which is still thriving. Sills current research is in the field of twentieth century American acting theory and pedagogy.

Describe the value of the subject you teach and it's application to life: I think theatre is one of the most important subjects you can study (not that I'm biased or anything!) because it involves the study of humanity and human beings reflected through a powerful art form. My acting classes in particular, allow students to discover who they are through the development of a character. In addition, they have the opportunity to express themselves creatively through the use of their body and voice. My acting classes spend most of their time on their feet, and therefore learning by doing, which I think is a very valuable alternative to more traditional ways of absorbing and synthesizing knowledge. Most importantly, in my classes we are open to having fun while being completely present and in the moment.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? I think my students would be surprised to know that I can eat an enormous amount of food at one sitting.

How do you spend a typical weekend? There is no such thing as a typical weekend! I have two kids (17 and 12) so most weekends are wrapped around their various activities. Outside of that, I've been known to go dancing, read books, grade papers, and my very favorite—shovel snow.

What's the most rewarding part of teaching? The most rewarding part of teaching is when a student 'gets it' onstage. When they have finally connected their mind to their body and heart, and it clicks. When it clicks, there is this incredible 'aha' moment that feels transformative and makes me incredibly glad I get to do what I do.

What's the most difficult part of teaching? The most difficult part of teaching is trying to help students understand the amount of sheer persistence, hard work, and effort it takes to manifest a truly inspired performance.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? I love working with college students! They are in the process of really becoming who they want to be. I like the independent nature of the college environment, where what you do is up to you.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? I am most proud of the production I directed in February of 2005, The Laramie Project. (freshmen year for Class of 2008). I am proud because every person in the cast committed themselves to the project both artistically and from their hearts. In 1998, Matthew Shepard was brutally murdered in Laramie, Wyoming because of his sexual orientation. The play is a powerful examination of the events surrounding Shepard's death. I think the production impacted audiences and raised a dialogue on campus about diversity, tolerance, and understanding.

What's your most memorable moment in teaching? My most memorable moment was about four years ago. I had encouraged my Theatre I (acting) class to spend a significant amount of time outside class to really work on their scenes and to go beyond my suggestions. I had a student who stayed up most of the night for several nights working on his scene with his scene partner. The scene was fantastic and everyone in the class recognized that this was what they could aspire to.

Kathleen Sills

Passing The Torch
Merrimack College Warriors
Merrimack College Conference & Events

Kathy Vaillancourt

Bio: I live in North Andover and have been married to my husband, Richard, for over twenty-two years. I'm a mother of three (two of my children currently attend Merrimack College). Ricky is a senior EE Major, Jenna is a sophomore Accounting Major and Kelly, my youngest, is a high school freshman. I hold a Bachelors of Arts in Business Management from Bradford College and am currently pursuing my Masters in Higher Education. I've worked at Merrimack College for nine years starting in the physics department, then the Accounting/Finance Department and now Student Activities. I love Merrimack College and I look forward to my next nine years working with our great students!!

How does life at Merrimack compare to your own collegiate experience? The opportunities for volunteerism are greater today than when I was an undergraduate. It's wonderful to see so many Merrimack students providing service to our community and beyond.

Describe the value of what you teach and it's application to life: I teach students life skills, fiscal responsibility, and the importance of being held accountable for decisions made.

What's one thing your students would be surprised to know about you? I secretly want to be a rock star!

How do you spend a typical weekend? I make sure I spend my weekends with all the people outside of Merrimack that I love.....my husband, children, my dog and lots of wonderful friends!!!

What's the most rewarding part of your job? Helping students reach their fullest potential!

What's the most difficult part of your job? Students make poor decisions sometimes and it's not easy for me to watch our students fumble.

Why do you choose to work with collegiate-aged students? I love college-aged students because they choose to be enrolled in higher education. With that said, I love their personal quest for knowledge, their independence, energy, ambition and free will.

What in your academic career are you most proud of? My relationships with the students, faculty and staff here at Merrimack.

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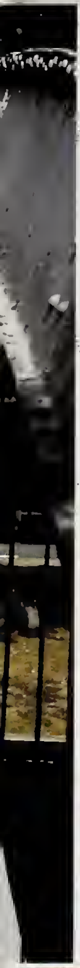
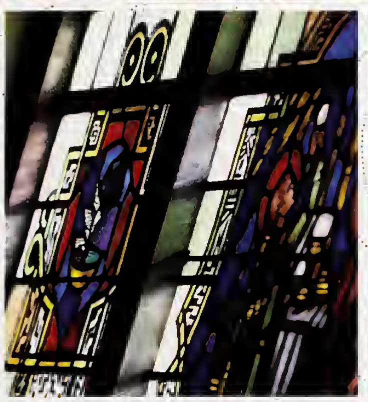
Campus Scenes





Clubs

Alpha Sigma Tau (AST):
From Left to Right starting from the front Ariana Musto, Melanie Barbarula, Ashley Philbrick, Victoria Wall. Middle Row: Laura DeGrandpre, Jennifer Goodus, Jessica Sullivan, Allison D'Alto, Danielle Von Ancken, Carolyn LaMore. Back Row: Erin Clark, Nina Bell. Absent from photo: Liza Sanchez.

Alpha Sigma Tau

Class Council 2009:
From Left to Right: Kristi Stratton, Jennifer Malley, Courtney Lowell, Lindsay Hutton, Tori Albano, Kyle McMullen

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Class Council 2009

Club Bio:
From Left to Right: Chris Argouyan, Tori Albano, C Chang, Meaghan Sullivan, Jeni Ihle, Oliva Glynn, Christina Davison, Ryan Sullivan, Ryan Rafferty, Mary Sabelli

Club Bio

Dance Team

DANCE TEAM:
From Left to Right starting in the back: Melissa Cruz, Taylor White, Jenna Vaillancourt, Meghan Leach, Jenna Vinci, Amanda Stumpf, Jade Martell, Andrea Barbati, Stephanie Powell; Front Row: Alisha Tammaro, Nicole Zaffini, Victoria Scibilia, Rebekah Poteat, Caitlin Fredette

The Dance Team had a fabulous year – they almost doubled in size, performed at many campus sporting events, at a Celtics game at Banknorth Garden, and traveled to Daytona Beach to compete in the National Collegiate Cheer and Dance Championships (pictured). They held many successful fundraisers to raise the money to travel to Nationals and they had a blast!

French Club

Left to Right starting in the back: Virginia Ayala, Calvin Burgett, Stacey Nygren, Ivonne Pabon, Stephanie Powell, Ryan Blaney
Front: Brittany Clark, Dominique Biliato, Rebekah Poteat

Friends Coalition

Friends Coalition:
From Left to Right: Mike Annetti, Kara Borelli, Katelyn Sours, James Archambault, Linda Murphy (advisor), Mike Gianola, Ricky DeSisto, Katy Pelletier

From Left to Right: Peggy Schumann (advisor), Laura Pallone, Kristal Donnelly, Molly Warren, Katie Jones, Christine Mitchell, Joe Dube, Christina Troy, Melisse Peterson, Janine Moretti, Susan DiMauro, Courtney Cutler, Jamie Caccavaro, Allison D'Alto, Suzy Tassinari, Brittny DeMatteo

Justice and Peace Coalition

Ryan Perreault, Rob Proscia, Mike Poirier, Luke Maus, Molly Warren, Travis Kong, Laura Pallone

Poker Society

Top Row (l-r): Sean McFee, Sean Walsh, Ted Ohnemus , Shawn Gorman , Scott Manheimer, Shane Carreiro, Chris Joseph, James Comosa, DJ Dolan, Tommy Luu, Chris Martinson, Chris Evans, Steve Sharac, Kevin Melanson, Joe Ratte, Domenic DiVincenzo (Coach), Bradley DiVincenzo (Asst. Coach) Middle Row: Tim Kilgallon, Andy Burtchell, Paul Amicangelo, John Havican, Nick Tonelli, Bill Bacon, Adam Matos, Chris O'Shea, Mark Hatfield, Tiki Gugushe, Pete McGovern; Bottom Row: Matt Kanelos, Joe DeRose

Rugby Team 2008

Student Athlete Advisory Council

President: Gately Golden, women's basketball; Vice President: Kristin Anderson, women's soccer; Secretary: Beth Riportella, field hockey; Women's Cross Country: Janelle Hickey, Brianne McDonough; Men's Cross Country: Jefferson Welch; Football: JD Wild, Randy Audate; Women's Soccer: Kristin Anderson, Kerry Domohowski, Ashley Alnwick; Men's Soccer: Daniel Gerhardt, Kyle Lortie; Volleyball: Lisa Barr, Elyse Lorenz, Heidi Wroblicky, Alyssa Pickert; Field Hockey: Beth Riportella, Keri Gerrish, Jess DeLacey, Michelle DaRocha; Women's Basketball: Amanda Shannon; Men's Basketball: Olatungie Lightfoot-Taylor, Jared Brownlee; Hockey: Mickey Rego; Softball: Vickey Cotter, Kate Crowley; Baseball: Jeff Bercume, Chris Caron; Women's Lacrosse: Jen Fox, Amanda Simeone, Meagan Winters, Kelly Pasquantonio; Men's Lacrosse: Dennis Rugg, Reid Eichelberger; Tennis: Liam Hoare, Stella Saia; Sports Medicine: Allison Marcotte, Melissa Feeley

Tau Kappa Epsilon

TKE (Tau Kappa Epsilon): Standing back row left to right: Calvin Burgett, Sean McDonough, Pat Walsh, Colin Meyer, Kurt Gronberg, Nick Sawchuk, Matt O'Connell, Brendan Towell, Alex Meyer, Matt Adams, Tim Tognacci, Paul Chicarello; Sitting Front Row Left to Right: Coleman O'Brien, Rob Sauter, Jason Denig, Tim Linehan, Chris Biele

Ultimate Frisbee

Top Row (left to right): Kevin Sell, Brian Casey, John Maggs, James Culhane, Ronnie Colaianni, Eric Lustenberger, Dan Cote, Ian Bock
Bottom (left to right): Matt Moore, Brian Dinizio, Jason Westgate, Rich Moran, Kyle Murphy

People & Places

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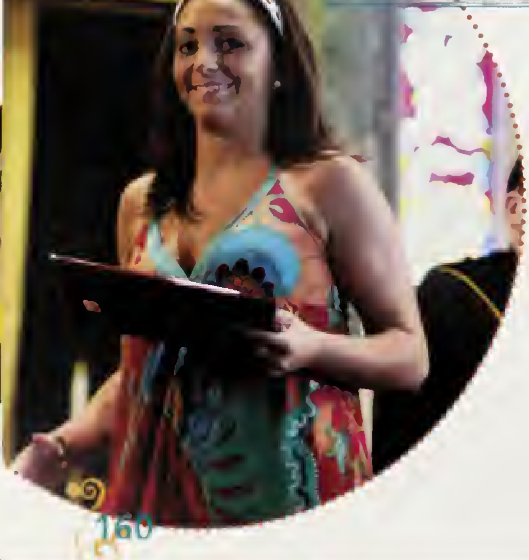

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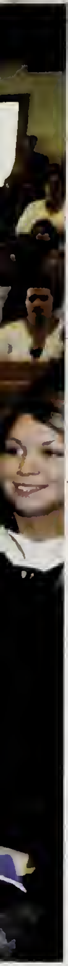

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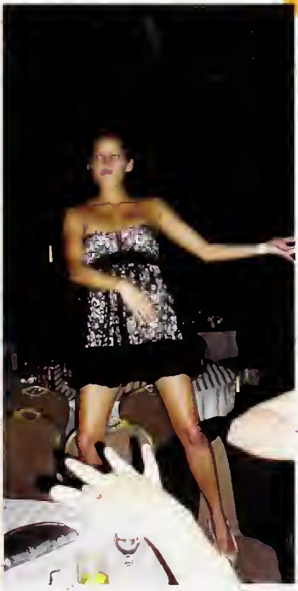

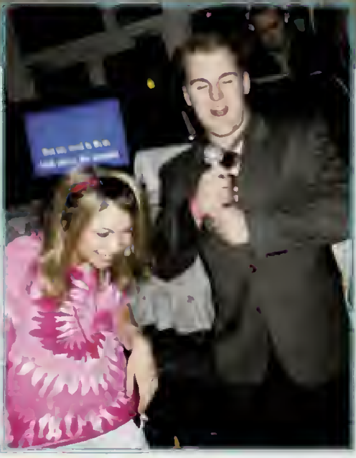

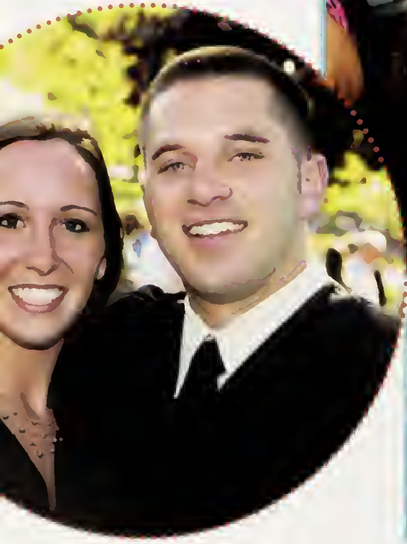

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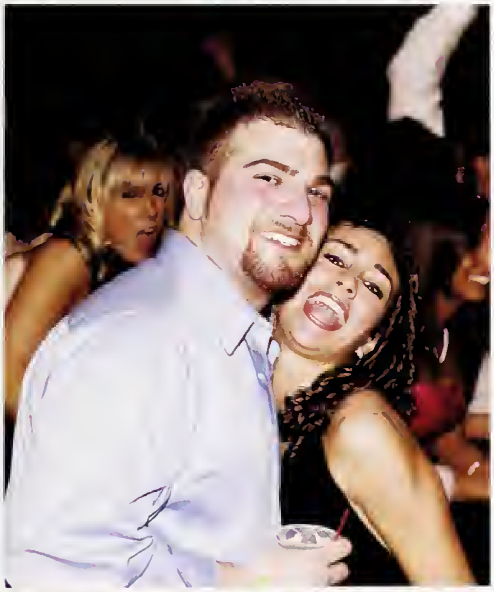


Campus Ministry

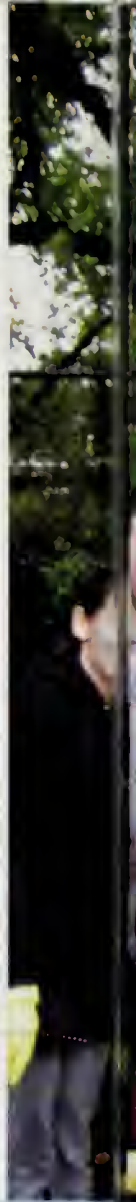
This year Campus Ministry continued its long list of activities, outings, retreats and faith celebrations that they offer each year for Merrimack students. Groups of students participated in a year long preparation for Alternative Spring Break trips to Tijuana, various locations in Virginia, and to the Bronx to spend a non-traditional spring break helping the needs of others. Students also participated in the ever popular M.O.R.E. retreats offered once in fall semester and once in spring semester. Campus Ministry was also involved in the Pelligrinagio, a trip taken to Italy each year with a group of students, faculty, alumni, and staff to learn more about what living in an Augustinian tradition really means. These events along with the many other wonderful things Campus Ministry does each year helps to provide the college with a true sense of community, faith and service.

Middle School
Wildcats

BENEFIT CONCERT
TONIGHT
for Invisible Children

MERRIMACK

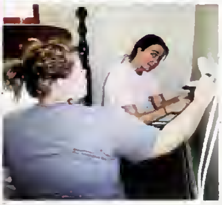
Merrimack
COLLEGE



2006
Patriots

STOUGHTON
MERRIMACK
The Spicket River
Keep it CLEAN

Invisible children



WHAT IS WATER FOR WASLALA?
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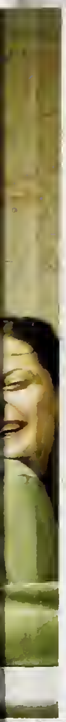
T-Sh… $10
Raf…



CAFE

ADELANTE

Water for Waslala
WATER FOR WASLALA

Welcome to FRIES
Where The Trail Begins

Melanie Barbarula

The doors of the future are opening.
The ride is just beginning.
Choose the most exciting one.
We will be waiting, watching and holding our breath.
Mom, Dad and Michael

ROCK 'N' ROLLER COASTER
BEVERLY HILLS
2003

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
LITTLE PHILOSOPHER!

KATIE CROWLEY

#22 SOFTBALL

DO WHAT YOU LOVE AND LOVE
WHAT YOU DO BECAUSE PEOPLE
WHO MIND DON'T MATTER AND
PEOPLE WHO MATTER DON'T MIND!
LOVE DAD & MOM

Jason Kissel

Jason,
As you begin your journey, we know you will reach all of your goals and dreams... We're proud to be your parents!

We Love You.

Mom, Dad, & Zach

Congrats to all the graduates!

Helene Bacherman

Amanda DiNitto

Dear Amanda,

As you entered the world 21 years ago, we had our dreams for you. Now, you are fulfilling your own dreams. As you close this chapter of your life, and open a new one, we wish you health, success, happiness and infinite memories. Keep that competitive spirit, contagious personality and sense of humor alive and you will be on top of the world!

Hugs and Love, Mom, Tara, Anthony, Champ and Enzo

Michael McCue

"May today mark the beginning of many new joys and accomplishments... and a continuation of all the good things that you have already achieved."

"Make the most of yourself, for that is all there is of you."

Congratulations Michael!

Love, Dad, Mom and Ryan

Wherever you go and whatever you do, may the luck of the Irish be there with you.

Brien, we know you've worked hard and we are very proud of you. Mark Twain says it best, "The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work." Remember, in life's journey; keep Christ as your compass. Congratulations!

Love,

Mom, Dad and Dan

Brien Douglas Andrysick

Danielle L. Aucoin

Danielle,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you and all your accomplishments in college. We knew you could do it. We are lucky to have you as a daughter and sister. Now set your goals high and we are sure you'll succeed in everything you do.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Marybeth and Daisy

Nicholas, your name means "Victory of the People." We chose this name for you because ever since you were born we knew you would be a leader, someone to look up to, someone that would lead with compassion and kindness. We are so proud of all your achievements, but most of all, we are so very proud of the good man you have become.

With love, Mom and Dad

Nicholas Sawchuck

Ashley,
You have grown into a beautiful young lady and person!!

We are very proud of all your accomplishments.

The world is there waiting for you!! Congratulations!

We love you lots!
Mom, Dad, Tom, Nate & Louise

Ashley Kysor

Sarah Rose Buckley

Congratulations to a future "Teacher of the Year" candidate for all that you have already accomplished. Think big for there is much more that awaits you out there. There is no limit to the impact that you can have on future generations. And if you start to get discouraged, just remember, summer is coming and:

"Life's Always Better at the Beach."

Love, Hugs, and Kisses
Mom, Dad, Becky, Kerry, and Joe

Tiffany Jurczak

One Day
Not so long ago
You were my Baby

Pigtails, crayons and
Coloring books

Which soon turned into
Makeup, hair color
And novels

But still you were my Baby

From grammar school to
High school
Dances, boyfriends,
Hearts broken,
Wounds mended

You were always my Baby

Then came college
Unexpected turns, lots of studying,
Yet always finding time
For friends and family

Mom, please don't call me
your baby

Now graduation, entering the
Work force
Your own apartment

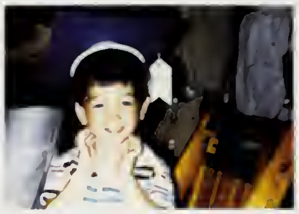
All grown up!

Yes -- you will Always be
my baby

Love,
Mom

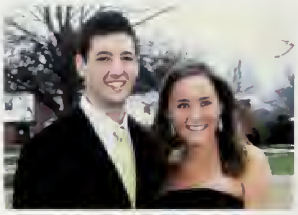
Congratulations Graduates of 2008

Eric J. Tompkins



From preschool...

... through
high school...



... and
college...

... With Pride, Love and Laughter.
Dad, Mom and Brian 2008

Matthew Kanelos

Matthew Kanelos

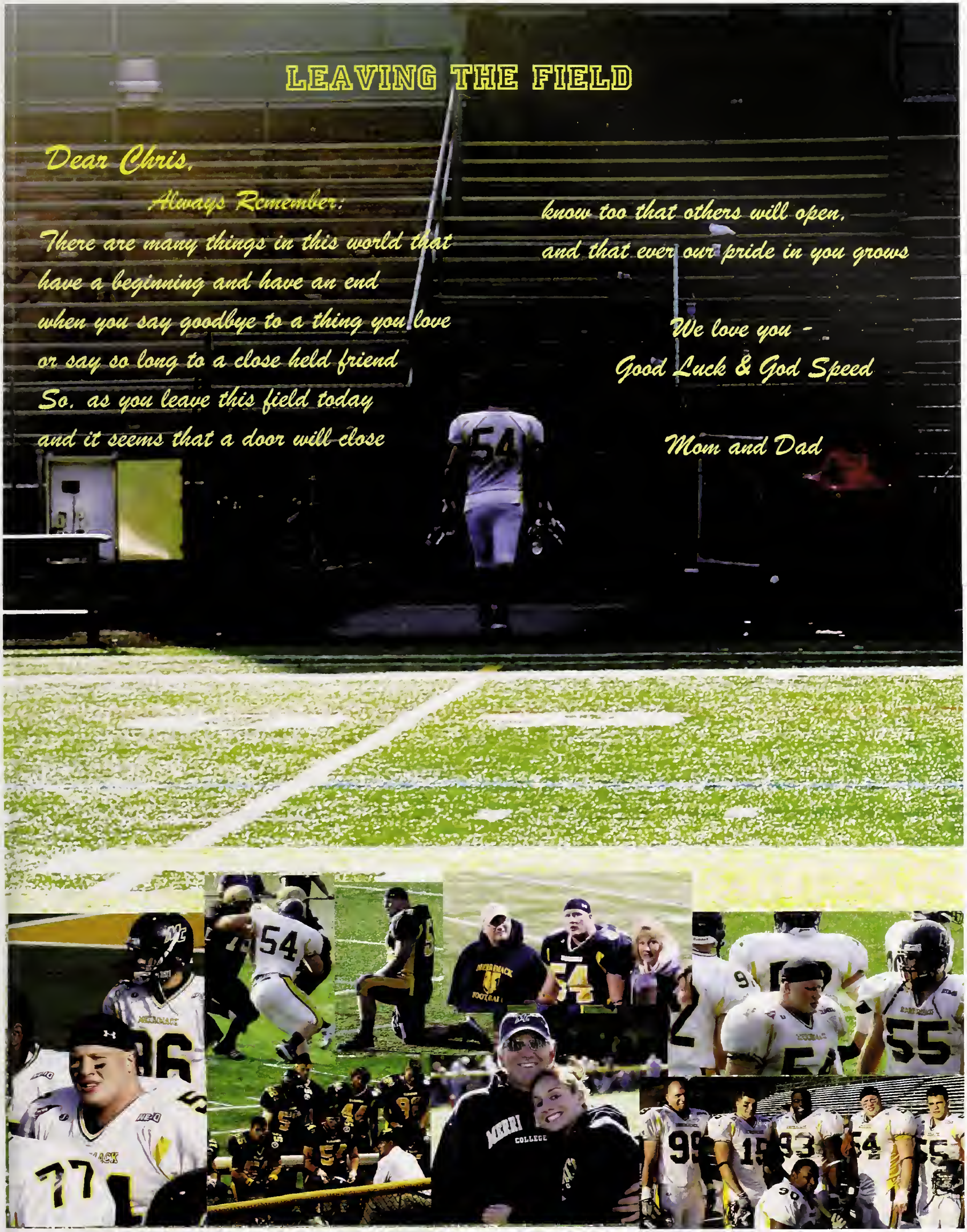
To Matt,
The Comeback Kid
The dream has been achieved!
You strived, persevered,
accepted every challenge and
you have succeeded.
Now you have new roads to explore;
the world is yours.
Go proudly & confidently Matt,
you've earned it!

With Love and Pride,
Mom, Dad, Nicole & Lauren
(The Kanelos Family)

Peter DePaola, Jr.

You truly are an inspiration to everyone and you continue to amaze us. As you begin your next journey, we wish you every success and happiness. Stay true to who you are – you are so wonderful and a blessing indeed!

Love, Mom & Dad
And all your brothers and sisters



LEAVING THE FIELD

Dear Chris,

Always Remember:

There are many things in this world that
have a beginning and have an end
when you say goodbye to a thing you love
or say so long to a close held friend
So, as you leave this field today
and it seems that a door will close
know too that others will open,
and that ever our pride in you grows

We love you -
Good Luck & God Speed

Mom and Dad

CHRISTOPHER COTTER

Ashley Varano

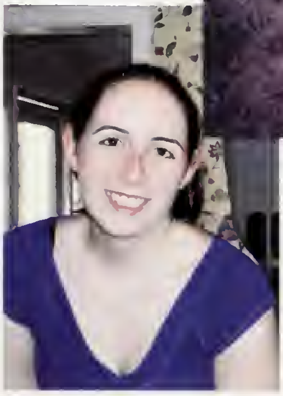
Ashley,

I am so proud of all that you have achieved and of the amazing person you have grown up to be. I know all of your dreams will come true and your life will be filled with love and happiness.

Mom and Tommy

Things
turn out
best for
the people
who make
the best
out of the
way things
turn out.

Katie Despres

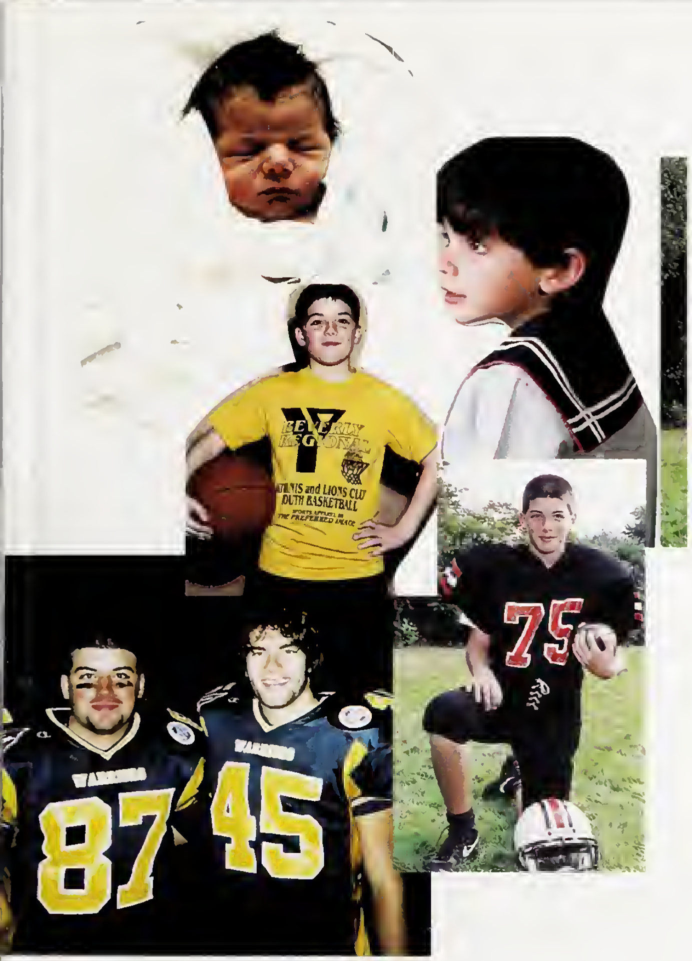


We are so
proud of you
Love Jack,
Mary, Matt,
Billy & Papa

Albert Lopes

Dear Al- We are so very proud of the fine young man you have become. As you continue your journey in life, know that we will always be here for you.

Love Always, Mom, Dad & Alex



ANDREW, HOW IS IT THAT 21 YEARS HAVE GONE BY SO FAST AND YOU ARE ABOUT TO VENTURE OUT ON A NEW CHAPTER IN YOUR LIFE. WE ARE ALL VERY PROUD OF YOU AND ALL THAT YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED, AND WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.
LOVE, MOM, DAD, LESLEY
AND JAMES.

ANDREW KOKOSKA

Dear Michelle,

It is so incredible that four more years have just flown by. It seems like yesterday we did the Freshman move into Merrimack College. Michelle, we are so proud of you and your accomplishments. College living, meeting new people and respecting them for who they are is just so natural for you. Studies are not always easy for any of us but you are proof that focus and commitment makes the most difficult challenges achievable. Michelle, for several years in your summer work and school programs you have demonstrated your love towards the development of children and seeing them meet their goals. You have brought brightness, fun and love to our family and your friends and there is no doubt with this outlook that you will continue to be successful in fulfilling your life aspirations. Keep smiling!!!

Love, Mom, Dad and Chris

Michelle Luongo

Julie Lavargna

Julie, we are very proud of your accomplishments. Reach for the stars and make all your dreams come true.
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Nicole & Christin

Julie Callahan

Julie,

Congratulations! We are very proud of all your accomplishments. Always follow your dreams!

Love,

Mom, Dad,

and Michael

Aglaia Aimee,

We are very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. May all your hopes and dreams come true. Do not go where the path may lead you, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Christina,
Anastasia & Katerina

Aglaia Aimee Tsakirellis

PIERCE
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WORLD YEARBOOK 07–08

WORLD YEARBOOK 07–08

YOUKILIS
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WORLD YEARBOOK

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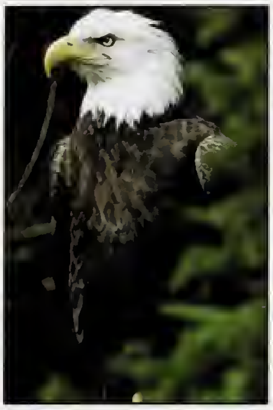
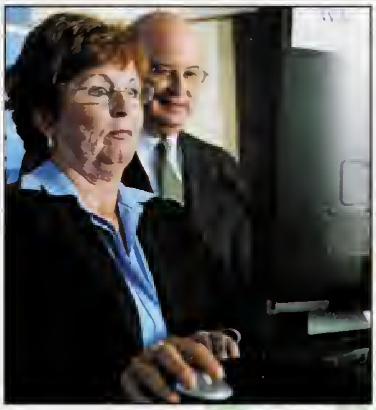
More than 90 million votes were cast when the world was asked to name the "New Seven Wonders of the Wor The man-made sites selected include the Coliseum in Rome Mexico's Chichen Itza, Petra in Jordan, Peru's Mac Picchu, the Taj Mahal in India, Christ the Redeemer Statue in Brazil, and The Great Wall of China.

A team of 30 physicians worked 24 hours to remove extra limbs from a two-year old born with eight limbs.

The bald eagle was removed from the endangered species list after 30 years.



The first Baby Boomers became eligible to apply for Social Security benefits, beginning a stress on the system.



Steve Jobs introduces the MacBook Air, the world's thinnest notebook computer at January's Macworld.

world events

ctober wildfires, which forced evacuation of nearly 1 million people, burned more than 600 square miles and destroyed s many as 1,500 homes over 19 days in Southern California. Santa Ana winds and extreme drought worsened the npact of the fires; nine people were killed and 85 others — including at least 61 firefighters — were injured.

Researchers in South Korea cloned a cat and modified its genes so that it glows red in ultraviolet light.

The space shuttle Endeavor landed safely in August despite exterior damage that had worried NASA.

John McCain emerged from "Super Tuesday" as a strong favorite among Republicans. Mike Huckabee remained his only challenger for the party nomination after Mitt Romney suspended his campaign.

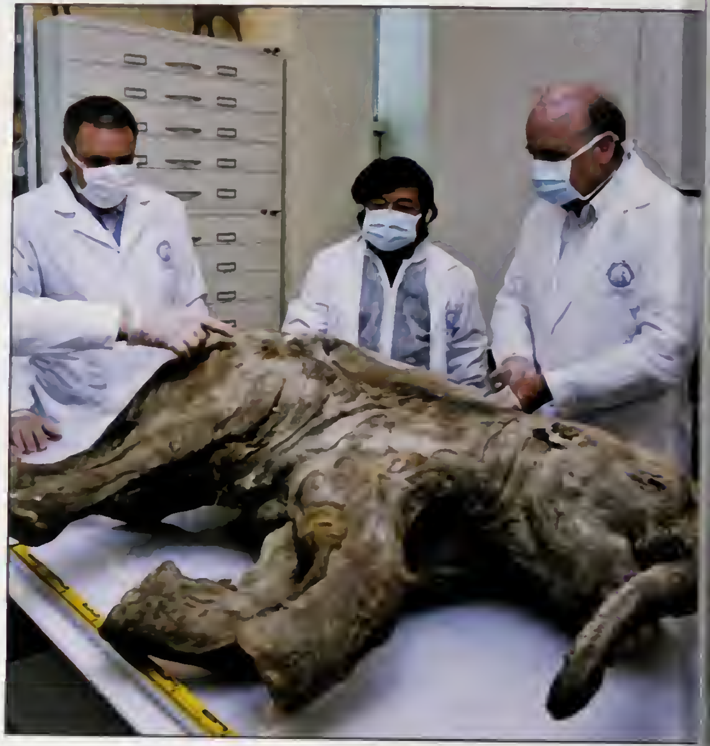
Even after "Super Tuesday" and the Potomac Primaries, the race betwe Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama for the Democratic presidential nominati was too close to call.

The Billy Graham Library was dedicated in NC in June less than two weeks before the evangelist's wife, Ruth, died.

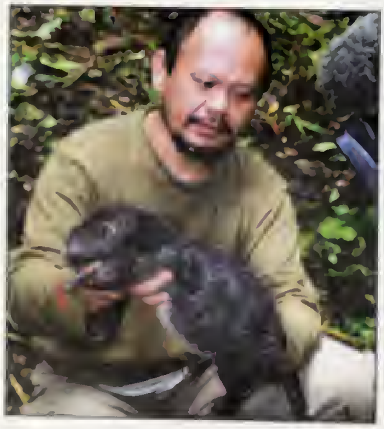
Cristina Fernandez is Argentina's first elected female president.

Tesla Motors, a Silicon Valley start-up, pre-sold all 600 of its $98,000 all-electric Roadsters set for production in 2008.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair resigned after 13 years in office.



Scientists in Moscow unveiled the remains of a frozen mammoth found in th Siberian tundra in May. A reindeer herder found the frozen carcass, which ha been dated back 10,000 years to the end of the last Ice Age.



Researchers uncovered two new species — a giant rat and a tiny possum — in a remote jungle in Indonesia in June.

Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was assassinated.

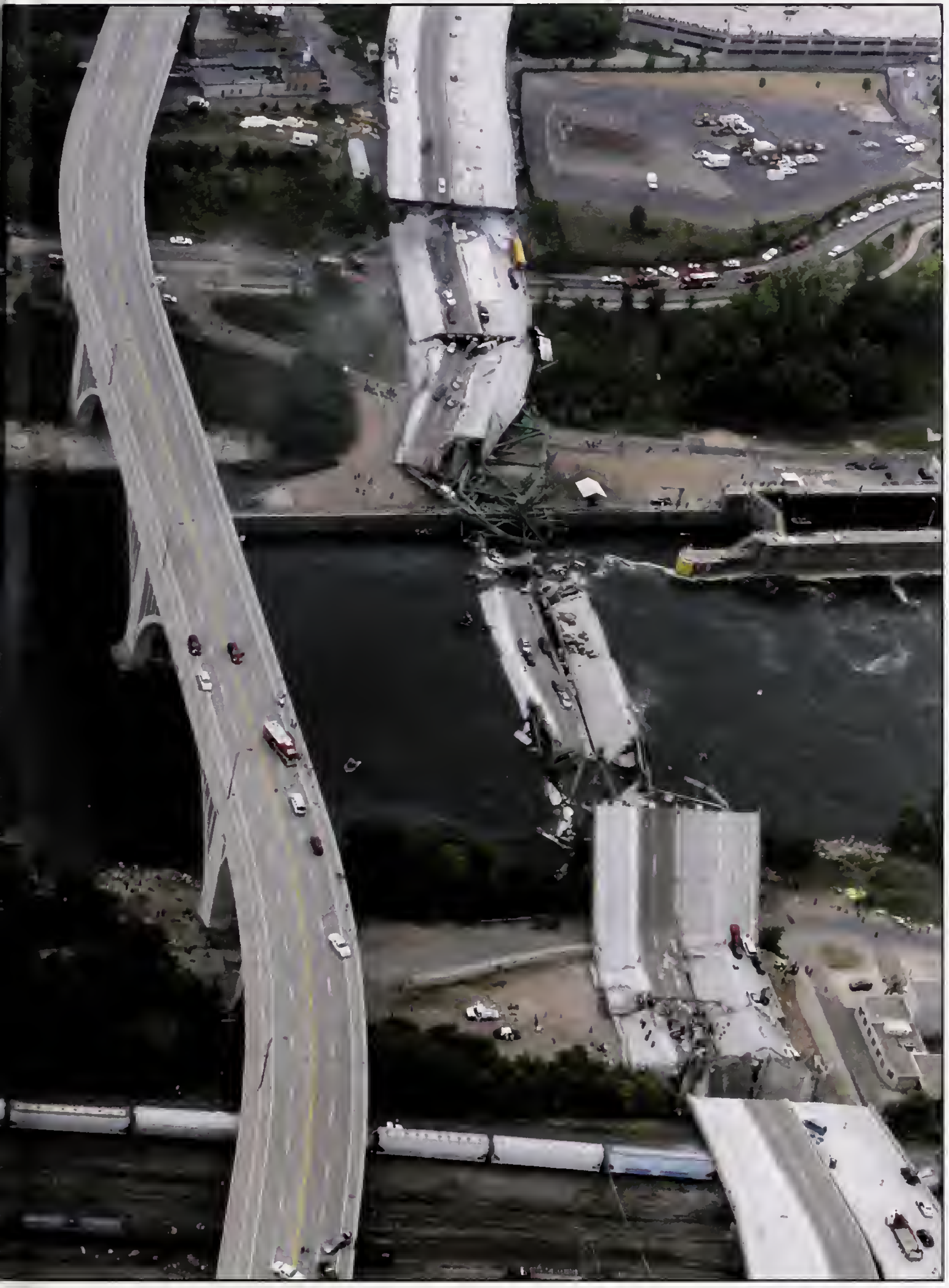
The disputed December re-election of president Mwai Kibaki caused unrest and violence in Kenya.

Unusual cold plagued Iraq. Baghdad' first snow in memory magnified th impact of persistent electrical outages reat Britain banned smoking in enclosed ublic spaces in July. Individuals caught iolating the law will be fined $400.

NO
SMOKING
JULY 1 2007

Nintendo's profit doubled this year, thanks to sales of 20 million Wii devices.

Meteorologists blame this winter's tornados across the South on La Niña (the cooling of Pacific waters).



The entire span of an interstate bridge broke into sections and collapsed into the Mississippi River during he evening rush hour in Minneapolis. The August 2 catastrophe killed 13, injured more than 60 and called o light deficiencies in many of America's bridges needing repair.

Internet service in Asia, the Middle East and northern Africa was interrupted when an undersea Mediterranean cable failed in January. Many businesses were brought to a standstill, but most Middle East governments had backup satellite systems that minimized the impact.

After an eight-year legal battle, a major power company agreed to spend $4.6 billion to reduce chemical emissions blamed for spreading acid rain across the Northeast.

Velib', a program that has nearly 20,000 bicycles posted at 750 stations around Paris is Socialist Mayor Bertrand Delanoe's latest effort to make his city more green and bike-friendly. The program allows Parisians and tourists to use the bikes for a minimal fee.

Astronaut Daniel Tani experienced something no other American has ever faced when his 90-year-old mother was killed in a Chicago train accident in December while he was in orbit aboard the international space station.

The Homeland Security Department announced plans for its REAL ID Act, which is designed to make it harder for con artists, illegal immigrants and terrorists to get government-issued IDs. The plan will increase requirements of people applying for drivers licenses.

New words inducted into the English language in 2007 by Merriam-Webster included "ginormous" (a contraction of sorts of gigantic and enormous), "Bollywood," "sudoku" and "speed dating". In all, nearly 100 words were added to the company's collegiate dictionary.

The national debt expanded roughly $1.4 billion a day, nearly $1 million a minute. Economists said that an economic slowdown may be looming and that higher taxes or cuts in government programs are possible.

Oil prices hit a new high of $100 a barrel when the markets welcomed 2008. The previous record, $99.29, was set in November, 2007 as the year ended with the decade's largest annual price increase. A falling dollar, violence in Nigeria and bad weather in Mexico were among the causes of the drop in U.S. crude supplies.

Medical researchers decoded the DNA of the cat and anticipate new information in the search for treatments to both feline and human diseases.

In Spain, a new $179 million telescope became operational in July. The Great Canary Telescope took seven years to build and construction involved more than 1,000 employees from nearly 100 companies worldwide.

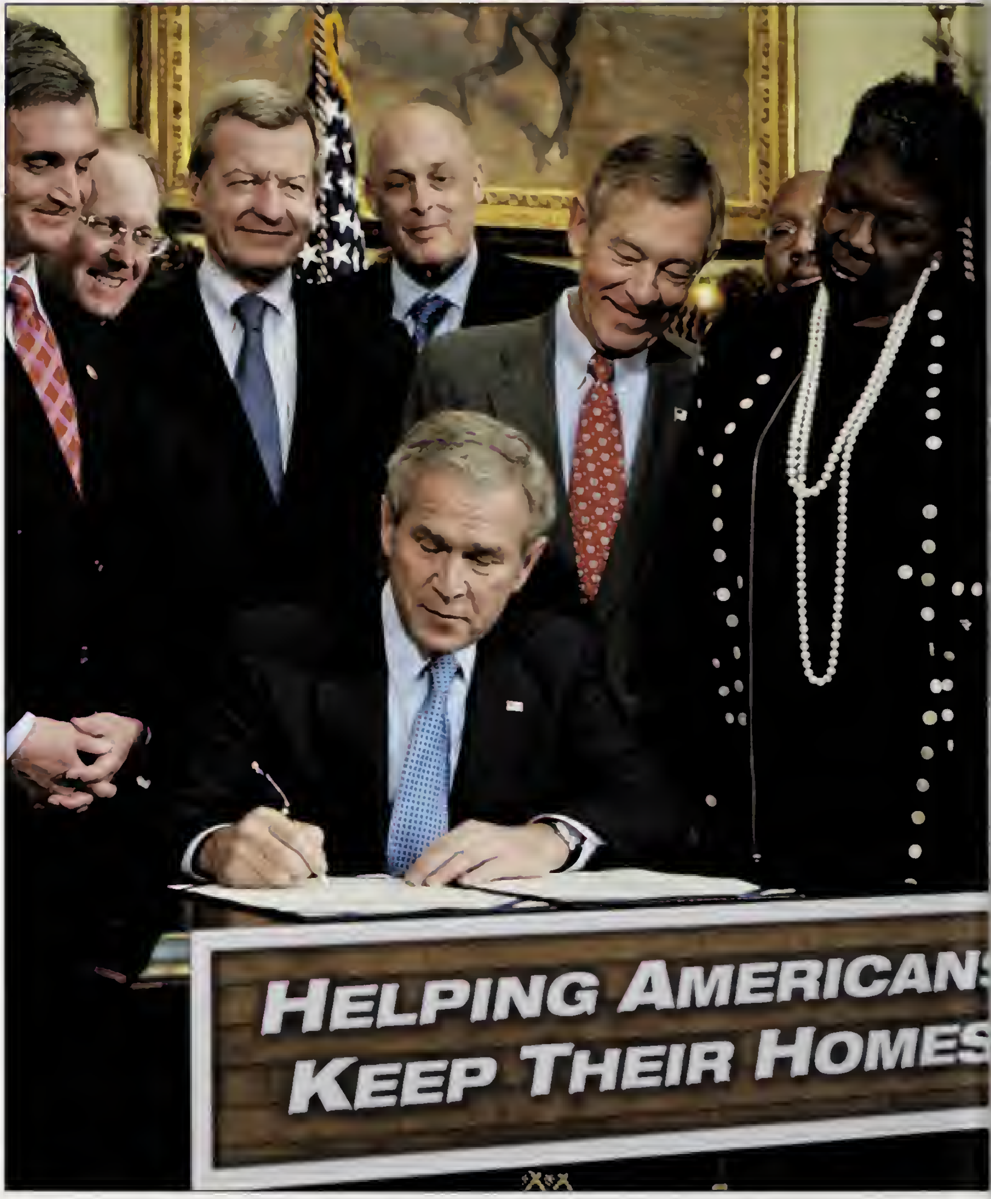
At the Consumer Electronic Show, inventors demonstrated a driverless car and a $2,500 11-inch light-emitting diode television which offers contrast more than 30 times sharper than a current screen.

A Bend, Oregon man flew 193 miles toward Idaho in a lawn chair lifted by 105 helium balloons. During his nine-hour trip, 47-year-old Kent Couch used a GPS and a BB gun and he took his video camera along to prove he'd flown. The trip was Couch's second; in September, he was aloft six hours.

After just 40 years in existence more than 1.5 million ATM machines simplify life

Concern about lead based paints caused world-wide recalls of millions of toys produced in China

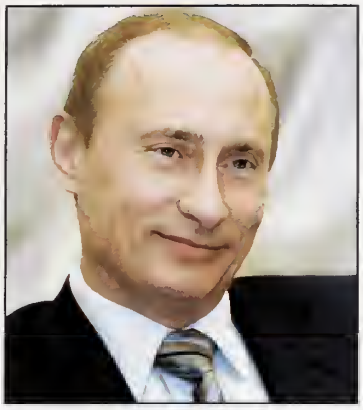
Ice storms crippled the Midwest w freezing rain coated electrical wi causing far-reaching power outages



Both the House and the Senate approved a $146 billion economic stimulus package which called for one-ti tax rebates aimed at rejuvenating the economy The rebates were expected to begin arriving in early summ The plan also included temporary tax breaks for businesses and measures to help struggling homeowners.

iting an increasingly polarized Middle ast, more than 45 nations attended ovember peace talks in Annapolis.

In his final year as Russia's president Vladmir Putin was named Person of The Year by "Time" magazine.



Fidel Castro, Cuba's leader since 1959, announced in February that he would “not aspire to nor accept” another term as President. Days later his brother Raul was elected the new President of Cuba.

he long winter drought and July heat wave across central and southeast Europe ook temperatures as high as 115° F, caused fires and contributed to the deaths of ore than 500 in Hungary alone. At the same time, it was flooding in Britain.

Former VP Al Gore and the UN's Panel on Climate Change shared the Nobel Peace Prize.

Chrysler announced cuts of 15% of its workforce in November, following February layoffs.

Hillary
CLINTON COUNTRY

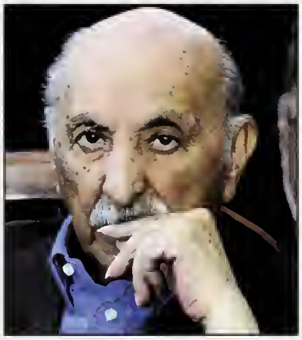
A standoff in Hillary Clinton's New Hampshire campaign offices ended without incident.

Jordanian and Israeli farmers used barn owls to control the crop-eating rat population.

week of heavy November rains caused ivers to overflow and left 70% of the exican state of Tabasco underwater.

PRAY For Our MINERS

The August collapse of Utah's Crandall Canyon coal mine killed six miners and three rescue workers.



Mohammed Zahir Shah, the last king of Afghanistan, died in July after reigning for 40 years.

Boeing Co. unveiled its first new model since 1995; the Dreamliner 787 will enter service in 2008.

U S military troop casualties numbered at least 3,941 since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003

Scientists have discovered 11 new species of plants and animals in central Vietnam

After selling more than 525,000 iPhones in the first weekend of their relea
Apple moved into third position in the global smartphone market by year's e
More than 4 million iPhones were distributed in the first six months

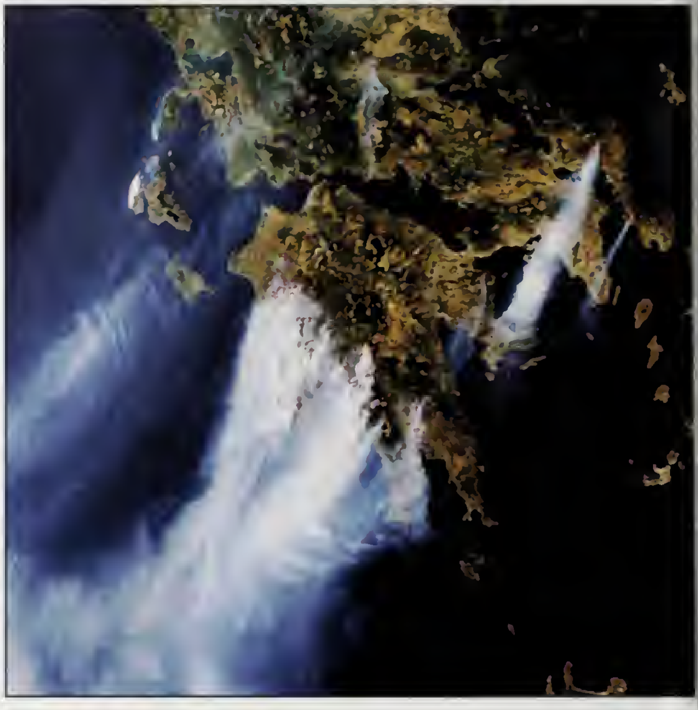
The UN convened in an emergency session on human rights abuses after protests and violence in Myanmar.

Eye-Fi
Wireless
SD Card
2GB

A wireless memory card won "Last Gadget Standing" honors at the electronics show.

India-based Tata Motors rolled out its no-frills Nano this year, but the car will not be available in American markets.

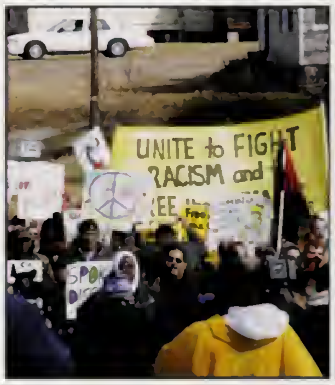
Polaroid announced it will stop making film for its instant cameras.



The worst wildfires ever in Greece killed more than 64 people, destroye
hundreds of homes in southern villages and burned more of the country's rapid
dwindling forestland than in any single year on record.

In December, a Rhode Island couple dining on clams found a rare purple pearl; a 1-in-2-million find.

Lady Bird Johnson, the widow of former President Lyndon Baines Johnson, died at 94.



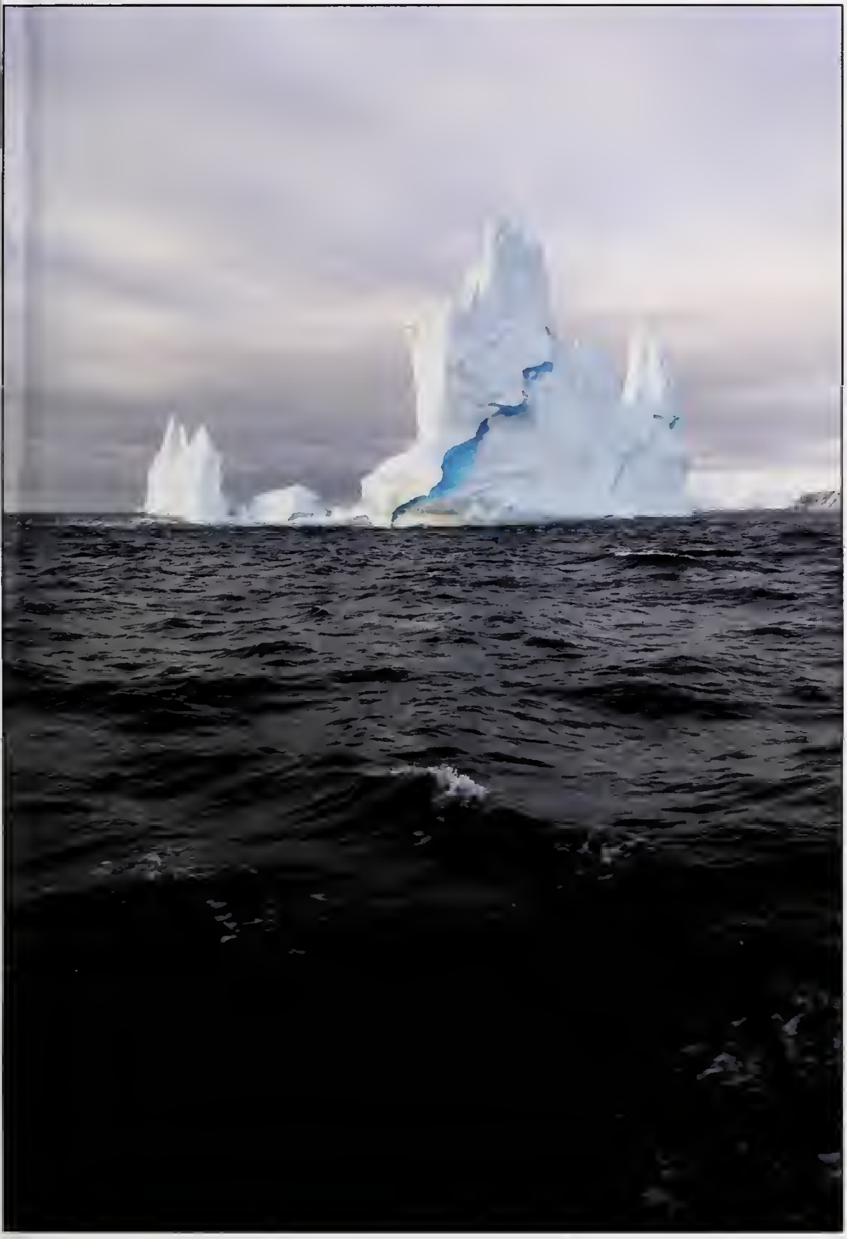
Issues of discrimination and differential treatment were central to Jena 6 protests in Louisiana.

The world's largest solar farm wa
planned for Fresno, California, where th
640-acre farm would power local cities

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-California, crafted legislation that will increase fuel economy, boosting mileage standards 40 percent to 35 mpg.

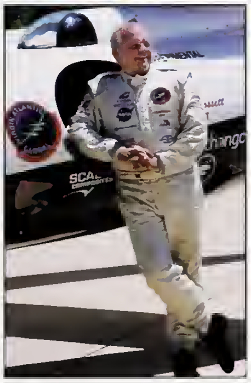
When Palestinian militants breached the Gaza-Egypt border wall, thousands of refugees poured into Egypt for supplies.

Lambourghini unveiled its Reventon sports car at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September. They will produce only 20 of these cars to be sold for $1.4 million each.



Climate changes appear to be destabilizing vast ice sheets in western Antarctica, which worries researchers who had previously believed the area was protected from global warming. They say the melt is more dramatic than previously imagined.

February blizzards in China paralyzed roads, railways and airports in a region used to mild winters. Officials fear economic losses may reach $3 billion.



Missing adventurer Steve Fossett was declared dead in February.

Sir Edmund Hillary, the first to successfully scale Mount Everest, passed away at 88.

2007 was the year of the threequel Five of the six top-grossing films were continuations of previous storylines "Spider-Man 3", "Shrek the Third", "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" and "The Bourne Ultimatum" brought millions of viewers to theaters across the country. Harry Potter films extended past the threequel; "The Order of the Phoenix" was the series' fifth installment.

The announcement of the Golden Globes, usually the first Hollywood awards extravaganza of the season, was reduced to an hour-long press conference at the Beverly Hilton on Jan. 13 because of the writers strike. The red carpets were rolled out just six weeks later for the Academy Awards after the strike ended.

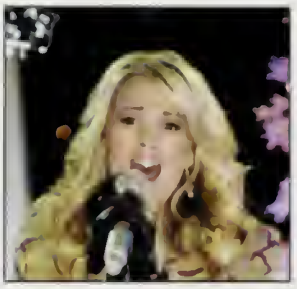
The DVD market experienced its first-ever decline when sales rentals dropped 2% to $23.7 billion, yet it generated more sales than music, video games or the theatrical box office.

Kelly Clarkson, the season one winner from "American Idol", cancelled her 36-date summer arena tour saying, "Touring is just too much right now." Her third album, "My December," was released in June and certified platinum by year's end.

Actor Dennis Quaid and his wife Kimberly sued Baxter Healthcare Corp. after their newborn twins were given an overdose of the blood thinner Heparin because the vials containing different doses of the drug were packaged too similarly. The Quaid twins recovered, but investigators learned that a number of infants had died following similar situations.

The world bid farewell to entertainer-turned-gameshow producer Merv Griffin, larger-than-life tenor Luciano Pavarotti, French mime Marcel Marceau, daredevil and stuntman Evel Knievel and controversial rock pioneer Ike Turner.

Top-selling Country Artist Carrie Underwood announced plans for a pair of 2008 tours



"No Country for Old Men" swept Hollywood awards, concluding with the Oscar for Best Picture

Johnny Depp was Hollywoo top money maker, said Quigl Publishing's 2007 annual poll

Sony's "Spider-Man 3" was America's top grossing film of the year Starring Tobey Maguire, Kirste Dunst and Topher Grace, the film was released May 4, 2007 Although it received mixed reviews fro critics, Spider-Man 3 broke most of the opening weekend records, both in U.S. and foreign markets

Live Earth created a global musical audience on July 7, 2007; the 24 hours of music across seven continents was delivered with a call to combat the climate crisis.

America Ferrera's Best Actress in a Comedy was one of 11 "Ugly Betty" Emmy nominations.

"High School Musical 2" premiered as the most-watched basic cable telecast in history. The movie, which attracted 17.24 million viewers, featured Zac Efron, Vanessa Hudgens and friends. "High School Musical 3", a full-length feature film and "High School Musical 4" are being planned.

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 2
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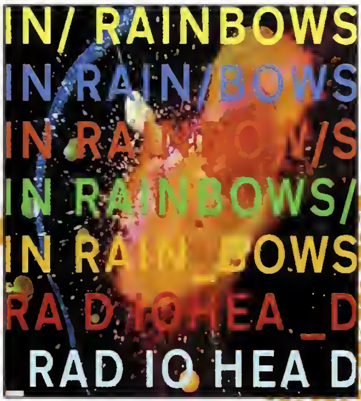
The Police reunion tour, which sold more than 1.8 million tickets, earned more than any other concert tour.

Radiohead released their seventh album, "In Rainbows," online (set your own price) and followed with a box set.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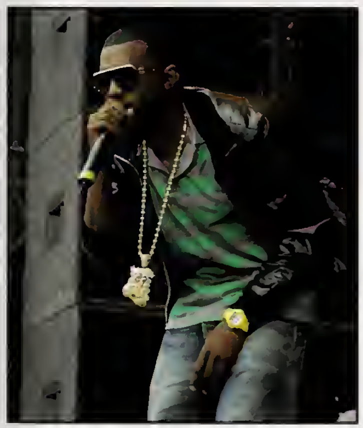
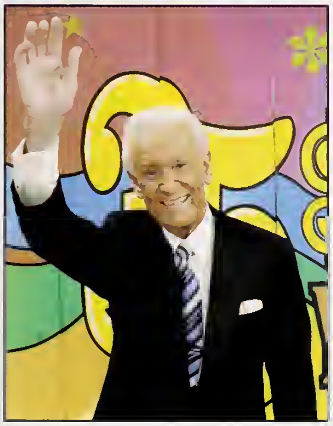
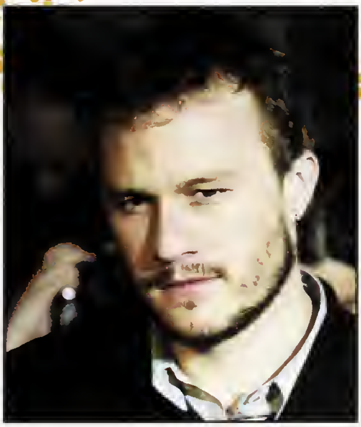


Kanye West's album "Graduation" sold more copies (957,000) in its first week than any other since 2005.



After 50 years on daytime TV, Bob Barker retired as the host of "The Price is Right" in June, 2007 at 83.

Miley Cyrus' tour included songs from her album and her "Hannah Montana" TV show.



Officials said that the death of actor Heath Ledger, found in his NYC apartment in January, was accidental.

POPULAR TV SHOWS

30 Rock
Dancing With The Stars
CSI
Grey's Anatomy
Lost
Heroes
Friday Night Lights
House
The Office

HIT MOVIES

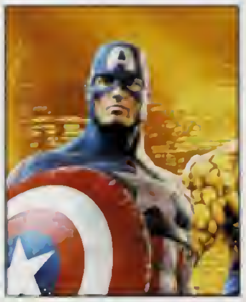
Hairspray
Bee Movie
Alvin and the Chipmunks
The Simpsons Movie
Rush Hour 3
National Treasure: Book of Secrets
I Am Legend
Enchanted

TOP ALBUMS

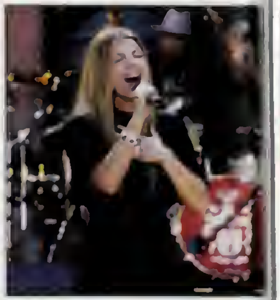
Nickelback: All the Right Reasons
Josh Groban: Noel
Gwen Stefani: The Sweet Escape
Norah Jones: Not Too Late
Linkin Park: Minutes To Midnight
Rascal Flatts: Me and My Gang
Taylor Swift: Taylor Swift
MercyMe: All That Is Within Me

Princes Harry and William held a concert in honor of their mother. The July fundraiser was held on the 46th anniversary of Princess Diana's birth.

Marvel Comics buried Captain America in July after 66 years of heroics.

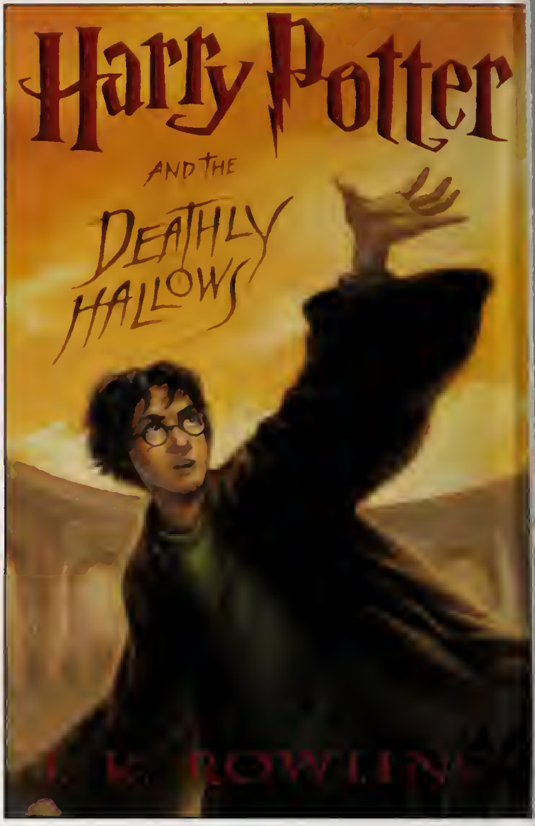


Fergie's "Big Girls Don't Cr
was her third #1 and the year
most downloaded track.



"The Sopranos", an HBO series which broke rules, told complex stories and both changed and enforced stereotypes, ended after six seasons.

The Spice Girls, the original "Girl Power" band of the 1990s, reunited for an 11-show world tour of their first concerts since they broke up in 2001.



The seventh and final volume in the Harry Potter series set all-time records in book sales in July, tallying more than 8.3 million books sold in the first 24 hours.

After appearing on the Ellen DeGeneres Show to kick off their first headlining tour, New Jersey's Jonas Brothers launched an ambitious schedule.

Breakout Shia LaBeouf starred in "Disturbia" and "Transformers."

Endorsement deals landed Beyonce at #5 on the list of "Cash Queens of Music."

fter nearly four months on strike, the Writers Guild of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture nd Television Producers reached a settlement on Feb. 12. Production halted in November when more an 12,000 writers joined the effort, but the industry was prepared to gear back up quickly.

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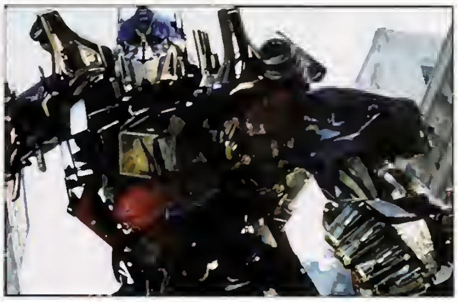
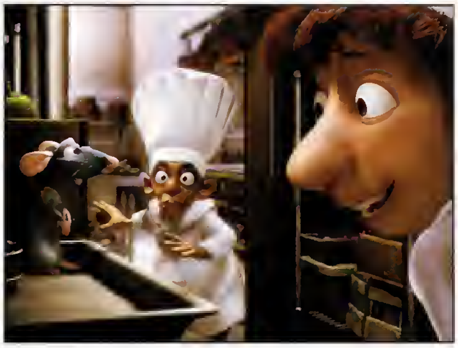
After a global box office of more than $700 million, "Transformers" sold more than 8.3 million DVDs in the first six days after its release.





Disney/Pixar's "Ratatouille" won the Golden Globe for Best Animated Feature Film and earned five Academy Award nominations.

"The Assassination of Jesse James", starring Brad Pitt, exemplified the Western genre's return to popularity on the big screen.

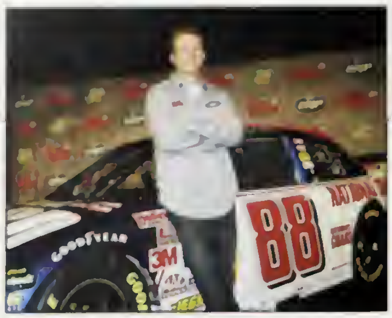
Late night shows returned in January with hosts Conan O'Brien and David Letterman sporting full strike beards.

Fourth place American Idol Chris Daughtry had the top-selling album.

R&B star Akon was Billboard's top pop artist; "Konvicted" spent 30 weeks in the top 30.

KNIGHT RIDER

NBC remade and launched several '80s prime time hits: "Bionic Woman", "American Gladiators" and "Knight Rider".



In May, 2007, Dale Earnhardt Jr. announced plans to leave his father's legacy, DEI, and race for Hendrick Motorsports in 2008.

April 2007's Final Four brought a second consecutive NCAA title to the Florida Gators when they beat Ohio State, 84-75.

With a 9-3 win over North Carolina, Oregon State became the first team in years to win back-to-back College World Series.

The day after Tiger Woods finished second in the U.S. Open, his wife Elin gave birth to their first child, a daughter named Sam.

The NY Giants won Super Bowl XLII 17-14, thwarting the New England Patriots' hopes of becoming the first team since 1972 to complete an NFL season undefeated. New York QB Eli Manning and his brother Peyto (Indianapolis Colts) became the first brother QBs to lead their teams to back-to-back Super Bowl victories.

The Boston Red Sox celebrated after sweeping the Colorado Rockies with a 4-3 win in Game 4 of the World Series. Sox Pitcher Jon Lester became the third pitcher in MLB history to win the deciding game of a World Series in his first career postseason start.

YOUKILIS
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Candace Parker's 17 points against Rutgers made her the Final Four MVP and earned the Lady Vols a national title.

TENNESSEE
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Californian Shaun White captured the Men's Snowboard Slopestyle honors in the 2007 ESPN Winter X Games in Aspen.

SPORTS

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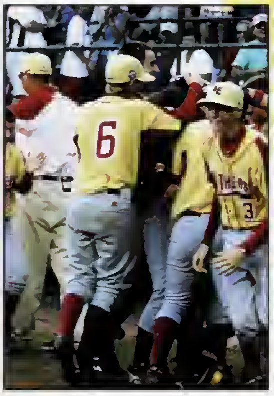
Build Something Together
Johnson

Jimmie Johnson won NASCAR's 2007 Nextel Cup, his second in as many years – after winning 10 individual races from coast to coast.

HEISMAN
WINNER
FLORIDA

Florida QB Tim Tebow is the first underclassman to win the Heisman Trophy.



The team from Warner Robins, GA won the Little League World Series over Japan.

Venus Williams won her fourth Wimbledon title beating France's Marion Bartoli, 6-4, 6-1.

Controversy surrounding Atlanta Falcon quarterback Michael Vick's dogfighting operation in Surry County, VA continued past his July guilty plea and December sentencing to 23 months in prison.

New York Yankee Roger Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner with 354 career wins, disputed the claims of his former trainer who reported he injected Clemens with steroids.

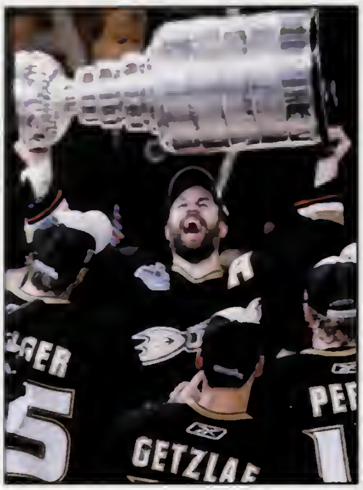
Olympian Marion Jones was sentenced to six months in prison for lying about her use of steroids and involvement in a check-fraud scam.

Ex-NBA referee Tim Donaghy pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and transmitting betting info across state lines.

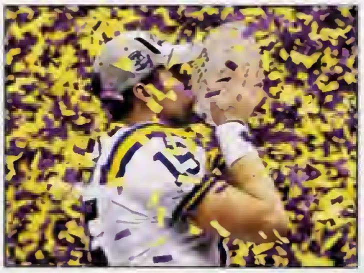
Bobby Knight, the winningest coach in college basketball with 902 victories, resigned abruptly from his head coaching responsibilities at Texas Tech in February. Knight will be succeeded by his son, Pat.

A number of sports greats passed away this year; these included SF 49's coach Bill Walsh, MLB pitcher Rod Beck and figure skater Christopher Bowman. In addition, Washington Redskins safety Sean Taylor was shot and killed in a home invasion.

In one of the greatest upsets in college football, Appalachian State surprised Michigan 43-32 in Ann Arbor.



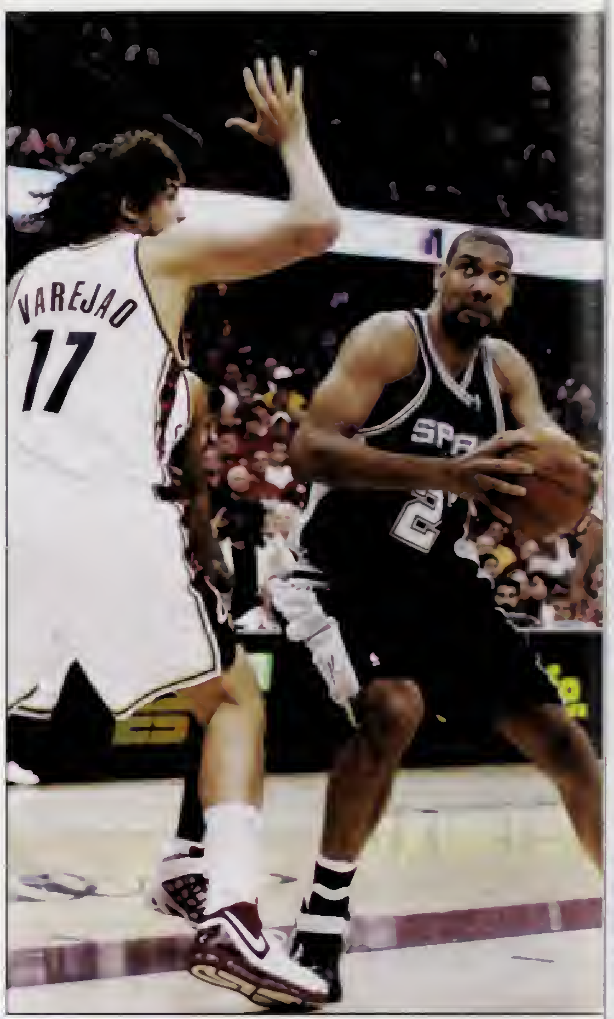
The Anaheim Ducks crushed the Ottawa Senators 6-2 earning the state of California its first Stanley Cup.



The LSU Tigers became the first team to win a second BCS title with a 38-24 championship win over Ohio State.

Top-ranked Lorena Ochoa became the fastest LPGA player ever to earn $10 million.

When the San Antonio Spurs swept Cleveland in an 83-82 finale t became the fourth NBA team to win four titles. The Spurs joined Boston Celtics, the LA Lakers and the Chicago Bulls at that leve



Roger Federer won his fifth consecutive Wimbledon crown in July but not without drama. After his fifth set with Spain's Rafael Nadal Federer clinched his twelfth Grand Slam title since 2003.